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**ALL IN ONE BOX.** The members of Local Heroes assembled even more care packages last Wednesday night -- 26, to be exact -- and shipped them off to soldiers serving overseas. From left to right are the following members of the organization: Joe Steen; Bob O'Leary; Lou Cimaglia; Dennis Cole; and Nancy Steen.

(Maureen Lamoureux photo)

## Nearly 200 Local Heroes care packages reach soldiers

*Donations from the Knights and Columbus and others have made it all possible*

By STEPHEN BJORK

WILMINGTON - Local Heroes has so far shipped nearly 200 care packages to Wilmington servicemen and women serving in harm's way overseas.

On Wednesday, December 22, Local Heroes graciously accepted a contribution of \$1,000 from the Knights of Columbus. The donation represents the single largest contribution made by the Knights from its Christmas Charities

Fund that donates every year to the Wilmington Food Pantry and local churches.

"The work done by Local Heroes is a great idea, and it is really taking off," said Jim O'Leary of the Knights of Columbus. "It costs an awful lot to mail these (care packages) out, so we hope to continue to support this group."

Including last Wednesday's contribution, the Knights have so far donated \$1,500 to the cause.

According to Lou Cimaglia, the president of Local Heroes, the group has sent a total of 181 packages out to soldiers since the organization formed earlier this fall. It takes just under two weeks for packages to arrive at their destinations.

Cimaglia is a veteran of the Gulf War and knows first-hand what these packages mean to the soldiers. Ordinary items and toiletries are not always easy for soldiers to obtain and are generally very pricey.

Cimaglia recently heard about a soldier in Iraq who had to pay \$20 for a set of razors.

Packages sent by Local Heroes are substantially easing that situation.

Sgt. Terry Kennedy, whose uncle is a member of the Knights, is stationed at Camp Virginia in Iraq. She got her care package at an opportune moment. She was all out of toothpaste and was having trouble finding transportation

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### 2005 Annual Town Election

## Election season fast approaching

By STEPHEN BJORK

TEWKSBURY - Nomination papers for the 2005 Annual Town Election will be available to potential candidates as of Monday, January 3, 2005.

Those interested in seeking local elected office may pull nomination papers at the Town Clerk's Office in Room 12 of the Wilmington Town Hall at 121 Glen Road during the regular business hours Mondays through Fridays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Papers must be picked up in person or by a designee provided

ed a letter of authorization has been submitted to the Town Clerk.

All filed nomination papers must bear at least 50 signatures from registered residents of Wilmington. All papers must also be returned to the Board of Registrars at the Town Hall by February 28, in order for the candidate to appear on the election ballot.

Wilmington's 2005 Town Election will be held on Saturday, April 16.

Incumbents Michael McCoy

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## Business robbed at knifepoint

*Also, WPD investigating recent rash of house breaks*

By STEPHEN BJORK

WILMINGTON - Local authorities are searching for the perpetrators of two unrelated crimes committed recently.

The Wilmington Police Department received a call at approximately 7:23 p.m. on Wednesday, December 22, reporting that the Desert Sun Tanning Salon at 668 Main Street had just been robbed at knifepoint.

Only one employee was on duty at the time and relinquished a sum of cash to a white male.

The suspect is believed to be in his early to mid twenties with dark hair, brown eyes, and furry eyebrows. He is described as standing approximately 5'4" to 5'6".

The direction in which the suspect fled is unknown. At the time of the crime, the suspect was wearing a white jersey over a sweatshirt, a red baseball cap. His face was covered

with a white handkerchief.

According to Wilmington Police Lt. Christopher Neville, a tanning salon in Winchester was likewise robbed by a suspect brandishing a knife and fitting the same description.

Police believe the same man to be responsible for the robbery of a convenience store in Winchester as well.

Winchester police are reviewing the convenience store's security photographs, but have not yet made a positive identification.

Anyone with information that could prove helpful in apprehending the suspect is urged to call the Wilmington Police Department at 978-658-5071.

In a separate matter, local police are also searching for those responsible for a house break that occurred on Andover Street on Thursday.

Similar burglaries occurred last week in the same general

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## From the crime lab to the kitchen

*Crime analyst making a move to culinary career*

By STEPHEN BJORK

TEWKSBURY - Too busy to plan and prepare healthy home-cooked meals for you and your family? Chef Mark Bachta, who teaches cooking classes for the Town of Tewksbury Community Education Department, offers a solution.

Bachta, the owner of Billerica-based Comfort Food Kitchen, a customized in-home personal chef service, is available and affordable to families in the Greater Boston area. The service provides home-made meals prepared in the client's home, using only the freshest ingredients.

"With so many households where people are working, meal planning and preparation becomes an extra burden," Bachta said. "Frozen entrees and take-out foods, while convenient, are loaded with salt and preservatives. You may save preparation time, but your fam-

ily's health and well-being suffers in the long run."

Bachta has a varied range of clients that includes a growing number of new mothers and people recuperating from illnesses or surgeries.

The service was purchased as a present to a woman from her children. The woman was undergoing her second hip replacement surgery. Prior to her first surgery, the woman had spent hour upon hour in the kitchen preparing meals for her husband and herself to eat during recovery. At least that particular bit of stress was alleviated for her second surgery.

"My clients have ranged from medical patients needing prepared meals during their period of recuperation to busy professionals with simply not enough time to prepare healthy meals for themselves and their four-year-old little girl," Bachta said. "In both cases, the desire to eat healthy, delicious meals is a top priority."

According to Bachta, comfort food is every type of food that people can relate to. The first step of the service consists of a meeting with a potential client to determine their specific dietary needs and preferences. Together they discuss various foods from different types of

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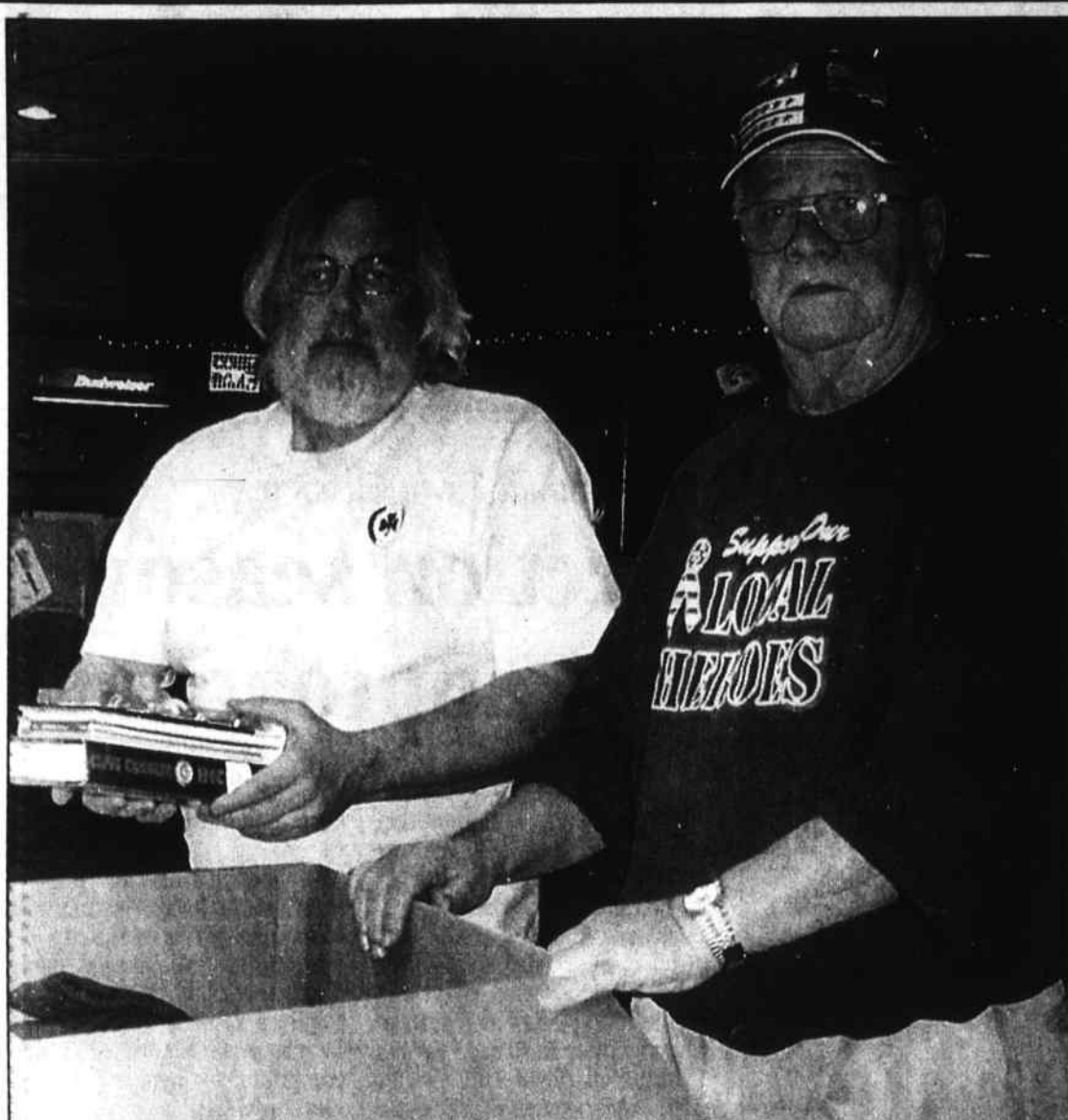
Members of the Wilmington High School National Honor Society recently donated to the Wilmington Fire Department the toys that they were able to purchase with money raised at one of their fundraisers. The fire department delivered the toys to Wilmington children in time for Christmas. In the front, from left to right, are LeeJane Villafuerte; Amy Sawyer; Alicia Braid; Ryan Murphy; and Katherine McMahon; Krystina Smith; Christine Miele; Julia MacDougall; and Kaitlin McGrath. In the back row, from left to right, are Celine DeMaggio; Clayton Huynh; Kristen Donovan; Brennan Jones; Louis Insalaco; and Michael Hackett.

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**BOUND FOR OVERSEAS.** Dennis Cole and Joe Steen pitched in as Local Heroes assembled care packages last Wednesday night to be sent to local soldiers serving overseas in Iraq and Afghanistan. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)

## Financial Aid Night planned

WILMINGTON - The Guidance Department at Wilmington High School will be sponsoring a Financial Aid Night for seniors and their parents on Wednesday, January 5, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

In the event of a cancellation due to snow, the event will be

held on January 12 (snow date January 12).

A representative from Citizens Bank and the Director of Student Financial Aid and Scholarships at Merrimack College will discuss various aspects of financial aid and the process parents and students go through when applying to

college.

Financial Aid forms and scholarship information will be available at that time.

Seniors and their parents are strongly urged to attend. The meeting is open to all interested parents and students.

## Flu clinic scheduled for next week

WILMINGTON - The Wilmington Board of Health will hold a Flu and Pneumonia Clinic in the Nurse's Office at the Town Hall at 121 Glen Road in Wilmington on Tuesday, January 4, 2005.

The clinic will be held from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.. Due to the shortage of influenza vaccine, only Wilmington residents who qualify by age or by have a medical condition will be given flu shots. Qualifications for a flu shot include:

- You must be 50 years of age and older or 49 years or younger with a letter from your doctor stating that you have one or more chronic medical conditions, such as heart disease, high blood pressure, chronic lung disease, uncontrolled diabetes, kidney disease or immune deficiency, requiring frequent or ongoing medical management.

Qualification for a pneumonia shot include:

- People age 65 or older and

people of any age who have a chronic disease, such as heart disease, high blood pressure, asthma, chronic lung disease, diabetes, and kidney disease, should avail themselves of this service.

Bring Your Medicare Card or HMO Card to the clinic.

Anyone allergic to eggs or egg products must not take this vaccine. Anyone with a fever, cold, cough or recent sore throat should not take the vaccine at this time.

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Best of all, contributions to an FSA are not subject to federal income or social security and medicare taxes. In fact, only New Jersey, of all the states, taxes FSA contributions. There's no federal limit on FSA contributions, but most employers permit putting aside only \$3,000 to \$5,000.

There is one downside, though: Any money left in the account at the year-end is forfeited, so plan carefully before you put money in.

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## Give the gift of life

LOWELL - Join the staff at Lowell General Hospital as they team up with the American Red Cross for a Blood Drive to help support the community. It only takes about an hour of your time and a willingness to be a hero by giving the "gift of life."

To donate blood, you must be at least 17 years of age, weigh at least 110 pounds and be in good general health. Please call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE (1-800-448-3543) with any questions about donating or visit the American Red Cross web site at [www.newengland-blood.org](http://www.newengland-blood.org).

The blood drive will be held at Clark Auditorium at Lowell General Hospital between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Thursday, January 13.

To schedule an appointment, call the American Red Cross at 800-448-3543.

## Sporting licenses available

TEWKSBURY - According to Town Clerk Elizabeth Carey, 2005 hunting and fishing (sporting) licenses are available at the Town Clerk's Office at the Tewksbury Town Hall at 1009 Main Street. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Tuesday evenings from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

First-time hunters shall show a Certificate of Competency from the Hunter Education Bureau and previously licensed

hunters seeking to purchase a hunting or sporting license shall show a certificate of Competency, or a previous hunting/sporting license, or an F.I.D. card, or a license to carry card before a hunting or sporting license can be issued.

Please be advised that all previous years licenses are returned to the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife Field Headquarters (508-792-7270), the Town Clerk does not have a copy on file at the Town Clerk's Office, therefore you should bring with you, your hunting or sporting license from a previous year or the appropriate applicable documents when purchasing a Year 2005 hunting or sporting license.

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## From the Editor's Desk

By Stephen P. Bjork

# Changing of the Guard

Goodbye 2004, it was a good year. Both the Red Sox and Patriots achieved world championship status.

Whether your guy happened to win or lose, the 2004 presidential election went off with out a hitch. A winner was determined and declared in a day, not in a matter of weeks as in the previous 2000 debacle.

The Wilmington High School Varsity Football team went undefeated in regular season play and into the playoffs, a feat not accomplished in decades.

Tewksbury is well on its way to erecting a lasting memorial dedicated to the memory of the victims of the 9/11 attacks on the United States. A permanent astronomical observatory is currently underway which will enable present and future generations of Tewksbury residents to continually "Reach for the Stars."

We at the Town Crier hold the deepest wishes that the personal worlds of each of our readers were touched far more by light than by darkness in 2004.

We hope equally that 2005 brings a happy and prosperous year to our readers.

We understand the mission and support our troops, but we sincerely hope to see their safe return early in 2005.

A New Year often denotes change and the Town Crier is indeed experiencing change as we enter into 2005.

As he explained in this very space last week, Shawn Sullivan is leaving the position of News Editor with this paper to explore new challenges. Mr. Sullivan is an apt editor and a talented writer. We wish him well and have little doubt that he will continue to succeed and even excel wherever his path should lead him.

As we bid him farewell, the Town Crier reaffirms its commitment to serve Wilmington and Tewksbury and hold itself to the highest possible standards.

I don't enter this position as a stranger; these two communities mean a great deal to me. I was raised in Wilmington, as was my wife, and feel fortunate to have the opportunity to raise my own family here. My closest friends are still the ones I made in high school, despite the miles of college and career in between.

Wilmington and Tewksbury are more than just towns to the readers of this paper. This is where our families are. This is where our friends are. This is our community; it is our Home.

The first goal I've set for myself is to see the re-launch of the Town Crier's website. It has languished since July and has been the subject of internal conversations, but an incident that occurred last week brought the issue to the forefront; at least for me.

I ran into one of Wilmington's finest while in Market Basket. We greeted each other and engaged in typical small talk, which led to his asking when the website was to be updated. I smiled and answered as best as I was able at the time; an answer that could doubtlessly be summed up to little more than 'I don't really know.'

"I used to love going on that site while I was in Iraq," the officer said. "It was one of the few ways that I felt like I was keeping in touch with what was happening at home."

It was a moving exchange; one that hit me harder than I probably let on at the time.

As I sit here at a desk that I never imagined myself behind, I just now begin to realize how big a pair of shoes Shawn has left behind.

I am going to apply liberal amounts of anti-fungal powder to my feet and then do my best to fill them.



## Standing Eight Count

by Stephen Bjork

The Town Crier recently announced the appointment of Stephen Bjork to the position of News Editor, displacing the previous News Editor Shawn Sullivan. Sullivan, incidentally, insists to be leaving of his own accord.

Residents of Wilmington and Tewksbury are up in arms over the decision, which they contend is a matter of "politics as usual."

A group of Wilmington and Tewksbury residents stormed the offices of the Town Crier last week to present a petition signed by nearly 1,800 residents in favor of retaining Sullivan as editor.

"We have heard many times during the past year that the most important aspect of holding public office is to represent the people," a spokesperson for the residents began. "We are here today on behalf of 1,775 of these people."

Town Crier Managing Editor Stuart Neilson informed the residents that the position of news editor for a small weekly newspaper was not in any way a "public office" and that the petition held no weight.

His comments were barely audible over incessant cries of "Bjork stinks" and chants of "Who's your Daddy?"

Neilson, incidentally, is rumored to have filed a complaint with the District

Attorney's Office alleging a violation of the Open Meeting Law since the decision to hire Bjork was done while he was out of town.

Undeterred, the mob put Sullivan up on their shoulders and marched him next door to Michael's Place, where he was treated to a slice of pizza and an orange soda.

An unnamed source, working as the Sports Editor of the Town Crier, claims that although Sullivan and Bjork were once relatively close, the transition is not proceeding well at all.

"This transition should have taken place mid-last week, not mid-this week, or even mid-another week down the road," said Jamie Pote, who requested anonymity.

According to Sullivan, he made a call to Bjork within a few days of the appointment to offer congratulations and to arrange an initial meeting for the transition.

Sullivan offered a parting note of friendly advice for Bjork that he gleaned through his four years as editor of the Crier.

"No matter how hard you try not to, you will inspire disappointment in others," Sullivan said with a wry smile. "It is inevitable. Somebody's going to get peeved."

Sullivan claims to be cooper-

ating fully, but admits to holding back approximately 38 files on the advisement of a Wilmington-based attorney, in order to prolong the transition period.

Bjork, on the other hand, is stating publicly that he believed the position to contain a much smaller workload and that he continued under that assumption following his acceptance. His perception of the editor position altered drastically, however, after actually reading an edition of the Town Crier.

"When I first met with Shawn Sullivan, I believed the paper to be made up of two or three pages," Bjork said. "This thing goes on for page after page."

Although Bjork's byline has appeared above numerous articles contained in the Town Crier for well over a year, he claims not to read what he writes.

"I don't care if he reads the paper or not," said Sullivan. "I plan to milk this for all its worth. I want another orange soda."

Sullivan contends that the missing files are being stored in the basement of the Center School. It was pointed out that the Center School was demolished in the early 1980's, but Sullivan simply stated, "Yeah? Well tell Bjork, good luck finding those files then."

Rumors have recently begun to circulate that Bjork may be working behind the scenes to initiate a renegotiation of his contract.

"What contract?" Neilson asked. "We never offered any contract."

According to Bjork, the new agreement will be retro-active to December 1, 1990. It will include an annual salary, and will provide for an hourly rate of \$1,500 for the time that he actually spends in the office of the Town Crier, regardless of what he happens to be doing there and regardless of any restraining orders that happen to be issued against him. That rate will increase to \$1,500 hourly as of January 1, and will increase by a rate of \$5 every week until the end of time.

"The Town Crier had a different methodology for compensating me than I had imagined," said Bjork. "Their methodology is not working for me."

Bjork's newly re-negotiated contract does not stipulate any monetary cap.

Neilson voted 1 to 0 to accept the contract only because it failed to stipulate any particular currency for compensation.

"Mr. Bjork will be paid in accordance with the new contract, but he will be paid in Mexican pesos," said Neilson.

## Letters to the Editor

### The American Red Cross needs your help to help others

Dear Editor:  
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**LET IT SNOW.** James Johnston, 11, and his sisters, Katie, 9, and Caroline, 7, hit the slopes behind the Swain School on Tuesday, December 28, to take full, fun advantage of the blanket of snow that fell on Wilmington during last weekend.

(Maureen Lamoureux photo)

## Betsy's Best Bets with Betsy Woods McGuire

### Joy to the World

*Cling to your childhood fantasies,  
fanciful though that seems,  
Don't let the world go talking you  
Out of your Christmas dreams.*  
(Mel Torme)

There was a time when I began to see Christmas as nothing more than the business of separating one from one's wallet. The commercialization, the pressure cooker, the prank, the pain-in-the-neck of it all. So, I took a year off. Not just from Christmas but every holiday plus birthdays too. I sent out notes notifying all my friends and family that I would not be accepting or sending out invitations to anything, including the big one-Christmas! The morning of the 24th we took off. That's right, I actually found a driving companion, someone who also wanted to escape. That night, Christmas Eve, we found ourselves in an almost empty Holiday Inn, somewhere, I think, in the Carolinas. Christmas morning we were sitting in this hideous place called *South of the Border*. The next few days were spent traveling through the South, mostly in Florida. Christmas lights were hanging on palm trees. Santa Claus, dressed in full North Pole panoply sat his sleigh on manicured lawns and beside swimming pools. My one and only thought was GET ME OUT OF HERE.

Ever since I have celebrated the Holidays with thoughts of peace and place, tradition and home. Truman Capote, my very favorite writer once said that he knew of only three cities that had magic. One of them was Boston. I would go a step further and say that at Christmas time Boston is bewitching, maybe enchanted.

If you walk from the North End through Quincy Market and Faneuil Hall and then across historic Boston Common, the city is alive with lights and life, memories and myth, custom, lore and legend.

The old perfectly blended with the new is truly captivating. But of all the paths and passages, the prettiest part of Boston, most stepped in the past, the one to cast the spell of Christmas joy, is surely Charles Street.

It's easy to drift back in time, to feel the weight of Christmas yore as you explore a kind of present day Currier and Ives enclave of ornate heavy doors with brass door knockers and handles, fancy trim and French windows with window boxes stuffed with winterberry, boxwood, holly and pine. Red ribbons and live greens are whirled around gas lamps and over archways and window frames. During the Holiday season Carolers dressed in top hats, top coats, long full skirts, bonnets and shawls can be heard as they stroll along in song.

At opposite ends of Charles Street, *Savonar's* (1939) and *Deluca's* (1905), two similar but distinctively original small specialty markets anchor the area. Like magnets you can't visit one without being pulled toward the other. Holiday goose, capon, duck, squab, pheasant and fish to fancy up that Christmas dish. Veggies, berries, fruits and flowers sitting in wooden crates and barrels chill and spill out onto the sidewalk. Bring your cart, this is just the start.

Every block has an antique shop. *Period Hardware* has a bewildering collection of salvaged knobs, knockers, handles and hardware for every possible need that you could conceive.

All of the restaurants from the tony and trendy to the cafes and coffee shops have style, smartness, mood.

*Blackstone's of Beacon Hill* is where I buy my Christmas cards every year, *Rug Road*, for handmade gift paper, *Blank Ink* for unusual stationery and gadgetty widgets and whatchamacallits. Even if you don't have kids on your list, *The Red Wagon* is an exclusive children's shop you won't want to miss. If you accounts are low on dough don't be shy, nobody will ask why you're browsing and perusing those swanky dress shops and chic leather shops, emporiums and boutiques. Remember, Charles Street is still a neighborhood. Tucked between all that fashionable freight you'll see a laundromat, dry cleaners, tailor, shoe repair, animal clinic, thrift shop, Post Office and an independent store, Gary Drug, doing business since 1936.

What I love about Charles Street this time of the year is all the hustle-bustle, merriment and cheer. You can toss your cares away for a day, you can feel the goodwill at the foot of the Hill. You'll be reminded to look back and think of the past, when life was slower and we cared for each other.

While you prance around under your crown, feeling happy and smug with all of your accomplishments, possessions and cash, stop and give help to those who have less or nothing at all. Put aside your own wants and needs, do some good deeds. Take a look in the mirror, dig deep down inside there but for the grace of God go I. Give of yourself, what could mean more? May the force of Christmas spirit sit snugly inside your door.

## RMLD announces new business hours

**READING** - Effective January 6, 2005, the Reading Municipal Light Department (RMLD) will no longer stay open until 7 p. m. on Thursdays.

The increasing use of electronic payment options and customer payment practices have shown the extended hours are no longer feasible. New business hours will be Monday through Friday from 8:30 a. m. until 5 p.m.

With the advent of electronic payment choices such as the on-line credit card payment option (Visa, MasterCard, American Express or Discover) and direct payment option, in which electric bill payments are automatically deducted from customers' bank accounts each month, RMLD

found that more than 12% of its customers are now paying their bills electronically. A new computer system will soon make it possible for customers to access RMLD forms and view their accounts on RMLD's website ([www.rmlld.com](http://www.rmlld.com)).

"With more customers paying their bills on line and less customers taking advantage of Thursday evening hours, we find the extended business hours are not practical," said Customer Service Manager Laurie Cavagnaro. "If the new business hours are inconvenient to customers, I am available to make an appointment to accommodate their needs."

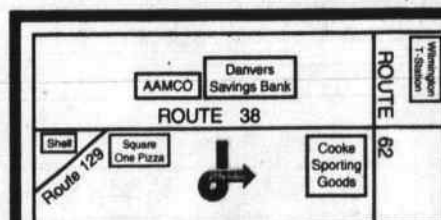
For those who prefer, payments can be dropped off at RMLD's drop boxes located at Atlantic Supermarket (30

Haven Street in Reading), Lucci's Supermarket (223 Lowell Street in Wilmington), and the New England Redemption Center (158 Main Street in North Reading) during their normal business hours. Lynnfield residents can make payments inside Karen's Bakery at the Colonial Shopping Center in Lynnfield during normal business hours.

RMLD has a 24-hour drop box at 230 Ash Street in Reading, and, of course, the U. S. mail still works.

For more information on customer service or payment options, please call an RMLD customer specialist at 781-944-1340 or 781-942-6598 or visit our website at [www.rmlld.com](http://www.rmlld.com).

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## Tewksbury Police Log

Friday, December 17

2:32 a.m. Authorities responded to a report of a domestic disturbance at a residence on Main Street.

12:48 p.m. A vehicular accident occurred in the vicinity of 95 Main Street.

5:51 p.m. A vehicular accident involving a deer occurred in the vicinity of 940 Andover Street.

6:01 p.m. A vehicular accident occurred in the vicinity of 1915 Andover Street.

6:50 p.m. Authorities helped remove from the premises an individual who was not wanted by management in the parking lot of Burger King on Main Street.

10:18 p.m. Lawn decorations were vandalized at a residence on Shoreline Drive.

Saturday, December 18

2:39 p.m. A hit-and-run vehicular accident occurred in the vicinity of 85 Main Street.

11:29 p.m. A vehicular accident occurred in the vicinity of 95 Main Street.

Sunday, December 19

12:12 a.m. A vehicular accident occurred in the vicinity of 99 Colonial Drive.

10:20 a.m. A vehicular accident occurred in the vicinity of 3 Pondview Lane.

12:09 p.m. A car parked on Elm Street was vandalized.

Jillian Calixto, 22, of Woburn, was arrested in the vicinity of 500 Whipple Road on the basis of a warrant.

Wilson DeCarvalho, 34, of Lowell, was arrested in the vicinity of 95 Main Street on the basis of a warrant.

Monday, December 20

1:27 a.m. A vehicular accident occurred in the vicinity of 15 Dirlam Circle.

9:08 a.m. A vehicular accident occurred in the vicinity of 27 Catamount Road.

11:44 a.m. A vehicular accident with injuries occurred in the vicinity of 1 Marion Drive.

1:32 p.m. A vehicular accident occurred in the vicinity of 1032 Andover Street.

1:57 p.m. A vehicular accident occurred in the vicinity of 1118 Chandler Street.

2:09 p.m. A vehicular accident occurred in the vicinity of 36 Shawsheen Street.

3:30 p.m. A vehicular accident occurred in the vicinity of 183 East Street.

3:54 p.m. A vehicular accident occurred in the vicinity of 918 Main Street.

3:56 p.m. A vehicular accident occurred at the intersection of Main Street and Pike Street.

3:57 p.m. Authorities responded to a report of a domestic disturbance at a residence on Kingfisher Road.

Chandra Many, 33, of Lowell, was arrested in the vicinity of 95 Main Street and was charged with operating a vehicle with a suspended driver's license and possessing an illegal Class B substance.

Wednesday, December 22

12:01 a.m. An elderly male reportedly caused a disturbance at the Pines of Tewksbury on Main Street.

8:18 a.m. A vehicular accident occurred in the vicinity of 381 Main Street.

9:38 a.m. A motorcycle was stolen from a residence on Pringle Street.

10:05 a.m. A vehicular accident occurred at the intersection of Main Street and Marshall Street.

1:24 p.m. A vehicular accident occurred in the vicinity of

10 Main Street.

3:07 p.m. A vehicular accident occurred in the vicinity of 2106 Main Street.

3:28 p.m. A vehicular accident occurred in the vicinity of 2100 Main Street.

4:53 p.m. A vehicular accident occurred in the vicinity of 500 Clark Road.

5:36 p.m. A vehicle parked on Pleasant Street was maliciously keyed.

5:57 p.m. A vehicular accident occurred in the vicinity of 20 Main Street.

6:38 p.m. A vehicular accident occurred in the vicinity of 17 Catherwood Road.

Donald McPhee, 47, of Tewksbury, was arrested in the vicinity of 450 Main Street on the basis of a warrant.

David Sanchez, 28, of East Boston, was arrested on Main Street on the basis of a warrant.

Thursday, December 23

Scott Thurston, 28, of Lowell, was arrested in the vicinity of 836 Main Street on the basis of a warrant.

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8:01 a.m. A vehicular accident occurred in the vicinity of 46 Butters Row.

9:29 a.m. A vehicular accident occurred in the vicinity of 3 Ballardvale Street.

11:43 a.m. A vehicular accident occurred in the vicinity of 240 Main Street.

2:45 p.m. A vehicular accident occurred in the vicinity of Robin Road.

Joseph Baldassarre, 26, of Woburn, was arrested in the vicinity of 180 Main Street and was charged with operating a vehicle after the revocation of his driver's license and providing a false name to a police officer.

Tuesday, December 21

7:29 a.m. A vehicular accident occurred in the vicinity of 1 Richmond Street.

7:57 a.m. A vehicular accident occurred at the intersection of Main Street and Eames Street.

8:15 a.m. A vehicular accident occurred at the intersection of Main Street and Middlesex Avenue.

8:59 a.m. A vehicular accident occurred at the intersection of Route 125 and Andover Street.

9:51 a.m. A vehicular accident occurred in the vicinity of 324 Main Street.

2:26 p.m. A vehicular accident occurred in the vicinity of 190 Main Street.

3:03 p.m. A vehicular accident occurred at the intersection of Lowell Street and Interstate 93.

Wednesday, December 22

4:56 p.m. A vehicular accident occurred in the vicinity of 307 Salem Street.

9:08 p.m. The air was let out of the two front tires of a vehicle parked at the train station on Main Street.

Thursday, December 23

12:00 p.m. A vehicular accident occurred in the vicinity of 240 Main Street.

12:07 p.m. A vehicular accident occurred in the vicinity of 1 Strout Avenue.

3:06 p.m. Authorities responded to a report of a domestic disturbance at a residence on Andover Street.

4:16 p.m. A vehicular accident occurred in the vicinity of 1 School Street.

4:25 p.m. A residence on Andover Street was burglarized.

David Kress, 59, of West Buxford, was stopped in the vicinity of 100 Woburn Street and received a summons for operating a vehicle after the revocation of his driver's license.

Friday, December 24

1:09 a.m. A park bench was vandalized at the Danvers Savings Bank on Main Street.

1:38 p.m. A vehicular accident occurred in the vicinity of 49 Lawrence Street.

Saturday, December 25

1:12 p.m. Authorities responded to a report of a domestic disturbance at a residence on Grove Avenue. The call resulted in the arrest of William Dunbar, Jr., 18, of Wilmington, who was charged with domestic assault and battery.

6:45 p.m. A residence on

Washington Avenue was burglarized.

9:46 p.m. A vehicular accident occurred at the intersection of Burlington Avenue and Main Street.

Sunday, December 26

9:55 a.m. The rear window of

a vehicle parked on Jordan Street was maliciously smashed.

10:53 a.m. A vehicular accident occurred in the vicinity of 1 Hillside Way.

12:56 p.m. A vehicular accident occurred in the vicinity of

571 Woburn Street.

2:22 p.m. A vehicular accident occurred in the vicinity of 168 Chestnut Street.

9:04 p.m. A vehicular accident occurred at the intersection of Lowell St. and West St.

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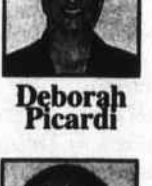
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## Obituaries

### Jesse M. Anderson

**Avid gardner, longtime Wilmington resident and town employee**

WILMINGTON - Mr. Jesse M. Anderson, 83, of Wilmington, died Wednesday, December 22, 2004, at the Winchester Hospital. Mr. Anderson was born on February 2, 1921, in Reading, MA. He was the son of the late John & Ethel May (Hutchinson) Anderson. He spent his youth in Reading prior to joining the United States Marine Corps where he served as a Technical Sergeant during WWII.

Prior to retirement, Jesse was employed by the Public Works Department in the Town of Wilmington for over 26 years. He was a member of the American Legion Post in Wilmington. He was an avid gardner and a long-time Wilmington resident of 57 years.

He was the beloved husband of the late Audry (Barnaby) Anderson, loving father of

Malcolm J. (Mac) Anderson and his wife Kathy of Tewksbury; Roy J. Anderson and his wife Debbie, Debra J. Anderson, John H. Anderson all of Wilmington, Robin L. Anderson-Murphy and her husband Scott of W. Newfield, ME.; Linda L. Gionfriddo and her husband Louis, Kevin D. Downs and his wife Linda, and Craig F. Downs all of Wilmington, brother-in-law of Beverly Anderson of North Leeds, ME, and Ruth Burnett of Dracut, also survived by 17 grandchildren, 2 great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews.

His funeral services were held at the Nichols Funeral Home, 187 Middlesex Ave., Wilmington, on Monday, December 27, 2004. Interment took place at Wildwood Cemetery. Memorial donations in Jesse's name may be made to the American Cancer Society, 30 Speen Street, Framingham, MA 01701.

### Barbara L. Hunt

WILMINGTON - Barbara L. (Hamilton) Hunt, age 61 years, of Wilmington, died on December 22, 2004, at the Winchester Hospital in Winchester.

Mrs. Hunt was born on Monday, May 10, 1943, in Arlington, the daughter of the late Charles Hamilton and the late Gertrude (Moore) Hamilton.

Mrs. Hunt is survived by her beloved husband David L. Hunt; her children Steven Hunt and his wife Jennifer of Wilmington, Carrieann Salvaggio and her husband Craig of Billerica and Jennifer Hunt of Wilmington; her grandchildren Ryan, Rachel and Brandon and her brother Robert Hamilton of Billerica.

Her funeral was held from the W.S. Cavanaugh & Son Funeral Home, 374 Main St. (Rt. 38), Wilmington, on Tuesday morn-

ing, December 28, 2004 at 8:45 followed by a Funeral Mass at St. Thomas Church at 10:00 a.m. Interment followed in the



family lot Wildwood Cemetery, in Wilmington. Memorial donations in her name may be made to the American Cancer Society, 30 Speen Street, Framingham, MA 01701. For Guestbook and Information please visit [www.cavfh.com](http://www.cavfh.com).

### Harriett B. Given

**Reading specialist in Wilmington schools**

Harriett B. (Esty) Given - of Wakefield and formerly of North Reading, died on December 27, 2004, at Lahey Clinic Medical Center in Burlington.

Born in North Reading on October 24, 1917, he was the daughter of the late Roy and Grace (Upton) Esty. She attended school in North Reading and graduated from Reading Senior High School. She was a graduate of Salem State College and later received her master degree from Columbia University, New York, in the field of Education Administration.

Harriett was a dedicated educator of young children, for 40 years. She began her career as an elementary school teacher in the towns of Winchester, Melrose and North Reading. Prior to the birth of her own three children, she was principal of the Warren School in Melrose. Harriet put her career on hold for a number of years to raise her three children and then return to teaching in the town of Wilmington in the position of Reading Specialist. Harriett was a devoted and wife, mother and grandmother. She was a resident of Wakefield for the past 52 years, where she was a member of the First Parish Congregational Church, since 1962. She served on many church committees including the position of Deaconess. Harriet was involved in many local clubs. Among the list of her personal interest were the Hartshorne House

Committee, the Garden Club, YMCA Auxiliary and Bear Hill Country Club. After church on Sundays, she loved to gather with her family for Sunday brunch.

Harriett loved the Lakes Region of New Hampshire and the ocean. After retirement from teaching, Harriett and her husband, Robert, spent several winter months each year vacationing in Palm Beach, Florida, where the whole family would join them, whenever possible.

Harriett embraced life after her massive stroke five years ago with the same generosity, enthusiasm and dignity as she always had. Constantly at her side were her family and devoted friend, Cindy McGinnis.

Family members include her loving husband of 51 years, Robert H. Given, Sr. Her son, Robert H. Given, Jr. and his wife Jane of Reading. Daughters Leeila Given and Nancy Given-Sieger and her husband Mark, all of Wakefield. Also survived by 3 special grandchildren, Shelby, Jeff and Andy Slegier of Wakefield and many nieces and nephews. She was the sister of the late Katherine Dennison and Madeline Sweetland, from North Reading.

Funeral service at the First Parish Congregational Church, 1 Church Street, Wakefield on Friday, December 31, at 10:30 AM. Calling hours will be held at the Croswell Funeral Home, 19 Bow St., North Reading on Thursday from 4 to 7 p.m. Burial will be in Oakdale Cemetery in Middleton.

Memorial donations may be made in her memory to Children's Hospital Trust, 1 Autumn St., Boston, MA 02215-5301.

### Everett J. Young

**Korean War U.S.A.F. Veteran, Civil Engineer; 75**

LOWELL - Everett J. Young, age 75, a resident of Lowell for the past 26 years, died Christmas night, Dec. 25, 2004, at the

Blairhouse of Tewksbury, after a lengthy illness. He was the husband of Eileen B. (L'Esperance-Thibeault) Young, with whom he would have celebrated a 26th wedding anniversary on Dec. 30th.

He was born in Boston, Feb. 9, 1929, the son of the late Florence Horne. He was raised in Boston, and had lived in Wilmington before moving to Lowell in 1978.

He was a Veteran of the Korean War, having served in the Air Force.

### Robert R. Major

**Sheet metal mechanic; 55**

TEWKSBURY - Robert R. Major, age 55, an avid sportsman and outdoors man, died unexpectedly Sunday, Dec. 26, 2004, at the Parkland Medical Center in Derry, NH. He was the husband of Marie L. (Connolly-Gath) Major, with whom he had celebrated a 12th wedding anniversary this past Feb. 14th.

He was born in Manchester, NH, Oct. 4, 1949, a son of the late Louis J. and Rachel (Gelinas) Major. He was raised in Manchester, and attended the West End Memorial High School. He lived in Dracut, Lowell and Nashua, NH, before moving to Tewksbury Center five years ago.

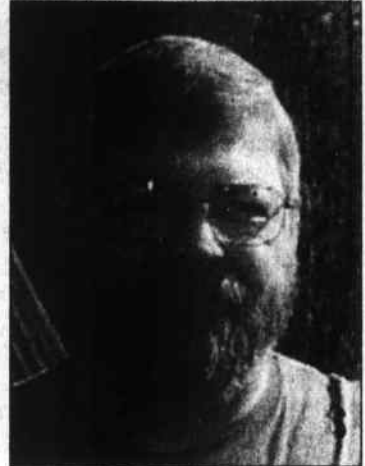
He was employed as a sheet metal mechanic for Precise Industries in Lowell.

He was an avid outdoors man, and especially enjoyed hunting and fishing.

Besides his wife, he is survived by a son, Kyle Major of Manchester, NH; two step-daughters, Lisa and her husband Kevin Frontain of Tewksbury, Donna and her husband Robert Rocco of Lunenburg; a sister, Simone Major of Rochester, NH; seven grandchildren, Cody, Zachery, Katelyn, Lauren and Lindsey

Frontain, Brody and Faith Rocco; several nieces, nephews and a grand niece.

He was also brother of the late



Roland Major.

His funeral service will be held Thursday, Dec. 30, at 10:00 a.m. in the Tewksbury Funeral Home, corner of Dewey and Main Sts. (Rte 38) Tewksbury Center, phone (800 or 978) 851 2950.

Visiting hours Wednesday 4 to 7 p.m. In the funeral home. Burial in Tewksbury Cemetery. Memorials to the Cornelia deLange Syndrome Foundation, 302 West Main St. #100, Avon, CT 06001, will be appreciated. [tewksburyfuneralhome.com](http://tewksburyfuneralhome.com)

### Cornelius "Mannie" O'Brien

**Owner and operator of Errand Boy Taxi in Wilmington**

Cornelius Michael "Mannie" O'Brien, age 70 years, a long time resident of Wilmington, died Monday, December 27, 2004, at the Lahey Clinic in Burlington.

Mannie was born on Wednesday, October 3, 1934, in Boston, the son of the late Cornelius M. O'Brien, Sr. and the late Mary (Stuart) O'Brien.

He served in the United States Air Force during the Korean Conflict and was the Owner and Operator of Errand Boy Taxi in Wilmington.

Mannie is survived by his beloved wife Alice (White) O'Brien; his son Michael James O'Brien of Wakefield; his daughters Kathleen M. O'Brien of Sarasota, FL and Donna M. Marken and her husband Gregory G. of Dunstable; his grandson Alex G. Marken of Dunstable; his brother Gerald (Jeff) O'Brien and his wife Ann of Tewksbury; his sisters Hazel O'Brien and Phyllis Flaherty both of Wilmington and many nieces and nephews. Mannie was also the brother of the late

James O'Brien of Wilmington.

His funeral will be held from the W.S. Cavanaugh & Son Funeral Home, 374 Main St. (Rt. 38), Wilmington, on



Friday, December 31, 2004 at 9:15 followed by a Funeral Mass at St. Thomas Church at 10:30 a.m. Relatives and Friends are invited to attend visiting hours on Thursday, December 30, 2004 from 2-4 and 6-9 p.m. Interment will follow in the family lot at Wildwood Cemetery, in Wilmington. For Guestbook and Information please visit [www.cavfh.com](http://www.cavfh.com).

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**HOLDING DOWN THE FORT.** Chris Feindel, left, and his brother Thomas made a snow fort near their Wilmington home on Tuesday afternoon.

(Maureen Lamoureux photo)

## Wilmington Middle School announces honor roll

### Grade 7

#### High Honors

Stefany Barcellos  
Allison Bleier  
Michelle Bortone  
Julie Braid  
Jessica Burke  
Kellyn Campbell  
Cole Carter  
Elizabeth Crannell  
Kyle Creedon  
Casey Cullinane  
Gina Curreri  
Lance Flaherty  
Amanda Hollenbeck  
Michael Kelly  
Jacqueline Lyman  
James Magnarelli  
Bryanne Mara  
Daniel McCarthy  
Eric Murray  
Adele Musicant  
McKenzie O'Brien  
Allison Robbins  
Caleb Rogers  
Omair Shaikh  
Rachel Sheehan  
Christina Tran  
Thomas Valente  
Kayla Walking  
Christine Woods

### Grade 8

#### High Honors

Ruth Blaisdell  
Ryan Breslin  
Kristen Browne  
Molly Brule  
Joseph Carbone  
Elizabeth Chin  
Ivy Co

### Erin Conway

Erin Copeland  
Elizabeth Crupi  
Dawn DiCico  
Kevin Flanagan  
Kaitlyn Foy  
Lindsay Gerrard  
Patrick Gedaminsky  
David Golden  
Laurence Gormley  
Daniel Hunt  
Charlotte Jensen  
Colleen Kennedy  
Alessandra Lyman  
Hillary Mahoney  
Melissa Mahoney  
Michael McDonagh  
Erin McMahon  
Craig Melillo  
Nicholas Monteforte  
Anthony Morlani  
Lauren Nasiff  
Paxton Nicholas  
Nira Pandya  
Ryan Parker  
Jason Pereira  
Casey Pickett  
Emily Pothier  
Kaitlyn Riley  
Lisa Rooker  
Natalie Russo  
Andrea Sanderson  
Corinne Sartoris  
Jonathan Spurr  
Stephen Stewart  
Sean Tavares  
Lee Joan Villafuerte  
Kelly Walsh  
Kaila Whooley

## Adoption explained at Florence Crittenton League

The Florence Crittenton League Adoption Agency is holding a general information meeting on Wednesday, January 12, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. at the Florence Crittenton League, Inc. 119 Hall, St. Lowell, MA. Some adoptive couples will speak, and the programs of the agency will be outlined. The Florence Crittenton League

does identified adoptions, and has programs in Russia, China, Guatemala, and Columbia.

The Florence Crittenton League has been a long-standing, non-profit agency since 1907. They offer adoption expertise in a warm, welcoming atmosphere.

Please call the office at 978-452-9671 for more information.

## Tewksbury Senior Center Selectmen to hear comments on new Senior Center

**TEWKSBURY** - The Town of Tewksbury through the Board of Selectmen will conduct a public hearing next Tuesday, January 4, 2005 at 7:15 p.m. in the Selectmen's Meeting Room, Tewksbury Town Hall. This public hearing is being held to solicit citizen comments on the proposed 2005 Small Cities Block Grant application. The Town can apply for a variety of eligible activities which are outlined in the DHCD One Year Action Plan for the Town including housing, economic development, infrastructure, planning and senior centers. The Town intends to apply for up to \$800,000 for the redevelopment and addition to the Tewksbury Senior Center at its current location along with \$4 million of Town funds. The project will include construction, design and engineering and general administration. The Town intends to administer this grant using private consultants. Any person or organization will be given the opportunity to be heard and the Town will make reasonable accommodations for the disabled with one week's prior written notice to Selectmen's Office.

It is important that Seniors show their support by attending this public hearing. Comments as to why the Senior Center project is needed and what it will mean to the Tewksbury Community and our present and future Senior Citizens are welcome and encouraged. If one needs transportation to this hearing, one may call 978-640-4482.

One's anticipated attendance will be very much appreciated.

Instructed classes will resume on the following dates: Japanese Bunka Embroidery next Monday, January 3rd; Tuesday Evening Yoga on Tuesday, January 4 and Friday Yoga on January 7th; Wood Carving on Tuesday, January 11th; and, Quilting on Wednesday, January 12th.

All other classes will be held at their regular scheduled days and times with the exception on this Friday when the Senior Center is closed for the New Year's Holiday.

A day trip to the Mohegan Sun has been scheduled for Thursday, January 20th. The cost of this trip will be \$20 per person. Sign-ups began this past Monday, December 27th. One may want to call to see if there are any spaces left for this trip. Other than casino trips, there have not been any other day trips scheduled for January and February. Suggestions for trips close to home during the winter months are welcome. One may place his/her ideas in the suggestion box located at the front desk in the lobby or give Anne a call Monday through Wednesday at 978-640-4482.

Tickets are now on sale for the Red Hat January get-together on Wednesday, January 19th. The evening will include soup and a sandwich and a show by Hypnotist, Steve Marino. The cost of this event for Carnation Belles is \$10. Tickets must be purchased prior to the event and will not be available at the door. This event will also be limited to 150 people. You won't want to miss this event! Dee Kerr and Kay Maher are at the Senior Center for Red Hat business on Tuesday from 11:00 to 1:00 p.m.; Wednesday from 11:30 to 3:30; and, on Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Another Red Hat get-together is a visit to the Mouser home to view their "Holiday Village Display" and gather for a holiday social. Sandy Mouser will open her home to small gathering of 20 Carnation Belles at a time to visit and enjoy light refreshments. The cost of these events will be \$5 per person. Please check with the ladies of the court when purchasing a ticket for the dates of these socials.

## Booster's Dance set for Jan. 29th

The Wilmington Boosters Association is hosting their "Annual Booster's Scholarship Dinner Dance on Saturday, January 29, 2005. The dance will be held at the Wilmington

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For tickets please contact Noreen Bruno at (978) 658-7143.

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## School Lunch Menus

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### WILMINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

#### Wildwood and Boutwell

**Monday:** Dinosaur pasta with tomato sauce, green beans, dinner roll, diced pears, dessert.  
**Tuesday:** Chicken nuggets, potato rounds, carrots, applesauce, ice cream sandwich.  
**Wednesday:** Hamburger or cheeseburger, oven fries, green peas, orange sections, jell-o with whip topping.  
**Thursday:** Grilled cheese sandwich, chicken goldfish soup, veggie sticks, peaches, goldfish granolas.  
**Friday:** Stuffed crust pizza, veggie of the day, mixed fruit cup, dessert.

#### Wilmington Elementary

**Monday:** Cheese ravioli with tomato sauce, warm breadstick, green beans, peaches, dessert.  
**Tuesday:** Hamburger or cheeseburger on a roll, oven fries, carrots, applesauce, pudding pop.  
**Wednesday:** Mixed-up chicken Day, potato puffs, peas, sliced pears, jell-o with topping.  
**Thursday:** Chicken & cheese quesadilla with salsa, seasoned rice, corn, pineapple chunks, dessert.  
**Friday:** Sal's pizza, steamed vegetable, mixed fruit cup, dessert.

#### Wilmington Middle School

**Monday:** Cheese ravioli with tomato sauce, dinner roll, green beans, sliced pears.  
**Tuesday:** Chicken nuggets with assorted sauces, mashed potato, carrots, applesauce cup.  
**Wednesday:** Hamburger or cheeseburger, oven fries, green peas, sliced peaches.

**Thursday:** Chicken or cheese quesadilla with salsa, seasoned rice, steamed corn, pineapple chunks.  
**Friday:** Sal's pizza, steamed vegetable, mixed fruit cup.

#### Wilmington High School

**Monday:** Stuffed rigatoni with choice of sauce, green beans, sliced pears, garlic bread.  
**Tuesday:** Chicken or cheese quesadilla with salsa, seasoned rice, corn, pineapple.  
**Wednesday:** Hamburger, cheeseburger or veggie burger, oven fried potatoes, steamed peas, peaches.  
**Thursday:** Chicken nuggets, mashed potato, steamed carrots, cranberry sauce, dinner roll.  
**Friday:** Sal's Pizza, steamed vegetable, fruit cup.

### Tewksbury Public School

**Monday:** Honey B.B.Q. Ribs, oven potatoes, sliced carrots, roll, milk, peaches.  
**Tuesday:** Orange juice, beef and cheese syrian pouch, corn nibbles, milk, frosted cake.  
**Wednesday:** American chop suey, green beans, homemade roll, milk, jello with topping.  
**Thursday:** Chicken fajita strips on a roll, oven rounds, corn cobette, milk, frosted cake.  
**Friday:** Juice, 5' round pizza, garden salad, milk, chilled mixed fruit.

#### Shawsheen Tech

**Monday:** No School

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State Representatives Charles Murphy and Jay Kaufman team up with Democracy for America to donate 20,000 minutes of phone cards to patients at Edith Nourse Rogers Memorial Veterans Hospital. From left to right: Joseph Dooley, Chief of Voluntary Service at the Bedford VA, Katherine F. Arnold, Volunteer Patient Advocate for Voluntary Service for the Bedford VA. On Behalf of DFA: State Representative Charles Murphy (D-Burlington/Wilmington Pct. 3) State Rep. Jay Kaufman (D-Lexington) Bob Burke of Newton, and Con Hurley of Belmont



The Rotary Interact Club at Wilmington High School presented a new activities sign to WHS Principal Eric Tracey recently. In the photo above are Mike Vassalo, WHS Principal Eric Tracey, Lauren Rappoli, Rick Fudge, Katherine McMahon, Ryan Murphy, Bill Popageurgieu, Amanda Figueiredo, Angela Keane, Jack Cushing, and Superintendent Bill McAlduff.

## Free phone cards provided for disabled veterans

BURLINGTON - Due to the generosity of Democracy for America (DFA) and Representative Charles Murphy (D-Burlington), Representative Jay Kaufman (D-Lexington) patients at the Edith Nourse Rogers Memorial Veterans Hospital will be able to connect with their family and friends for free this holiday season. Representatives Murphy and Kaufman will be dropping off a package of phone cards to the Hospital Director's office just in time for Christmas so every patient can reach a loved one near or far.

This project is part of Democracy for America's community service program, DFACorps. DFACorps participants were informed of this project through DFA's official Web page (DemocracyForAmerica.com) and Blog (BlogForAmerica.com) and at many Meetups throughout the country. Since November 23, over 100,000 minutes in phone cards were donated and sent to DFA headquarters in Burlington, Vt. DFA matched each minute, therefore doubling

the amount to 200,000. Over 200,000 minutes of free long distance minutes will also be given to patients in California, Maine, Rhode Island, Texas, Vermont and Washington.

"There is more to Democracy for America than just politics and campaigning. Our supporters want to personally make a difference in people's lives," said Gov. Howard Dean, founder and honorary chair of Democracy for America. "These phone cards are just one small way to tell our troops thank you for keeping our country safe and secure."

Representative Murphy added, "As a former Marine Captain I am truly pleased to participate in such an event." He continued, "This small gesture on our part does not even compare to what veterans all across the land have given up for this country."

Democracy for America is a political action committee dedicated to building a grassroots network to support socially progressive and fiscally responsible candidates at all levels of government.



## Wilmington Library Notes by Christina Stewart

### Design Presentation for New Library

#### Faux Painting

David Nyof from Sherwin Williams will demonstrate faux painting techniques at the library on Tuesday, January 11th at 7 p.m. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

#### Design Presentation of New Library

The Library Building Committee will present the schematic design plans of a new public library at the Swain School site on Thursday, January 13th at 7 p.m. at the Wilmington Memorial Library.

#### Upcoming Teen Events at the Library

Teen Comics Club Monday, January 3rd at 7pm Drop-in. Open to all middle and high school students.

#### 3rd Annual Lord of the Rings Festival for Teens

Monday, January 10th at 7 p.m. Be sure to enter the Lord

of the Rings Bookmark contest. Open to all middle and high school students. Just design a bookmark related to LOTR. Artwork cannot be tracings. Artwork can be either color or black and white. Precut bookmark-sized paper is available in the Teen Zone on the 2nd floor. Copies of the last year's winner bookmarks are also on display. Deadline to enter is January 10. Give entries to Teen Services Librarian or bring to the LOTR Festival on January 10th. Winners will be selected and announced at the LOTR Festival.

#### Meet Boston Bruins Strength and Conditioning Coach John Whitesides

On Wednesday, January 12th at 3:30 p.m. hear how the Bruins hockey players stay in shape and able to perform at peak ability on the ice!

#### Teen Knitting Club

Wednesday's 3:30-4:45pm 3-week series January 26, February 2, and February 9. Learn the basics of knitting. Open to middle and high school students. Please bring one 4-ounce skein of knitting worsted and size 10 needles. Limited to 10 teens. Registration required and begins on Thursday, January 6. Register by calling 978-694-2098 or by visiting the Teen Zone.

#### Children's Book Discussions

Pleasing the Ghost by Sharon Creech will be discussed by kids ages seven and older on Friday, January 7th at 3:30 pm. The fantasy is about a boy

named Dennis, who has been seeing ghosts ever since his father died. Often they are ghosts he knows, often friendly, and include his late eccentric Uncle Arvie. Together they settle some unfinished business.

Dolphin Luck by Hilary McKay was chosen by kids ages nine and older for their book discussion to be held on Friday, January 14th at 3:30 pm. A lively discussion will most likely reflect the hilarious adventures of the unusual and spirited Robinson children who manage to get into an amazing amount of trouble having adventures with burglar traps and a search for a magic sword.

Drop-in for either discussion, light refreshments and door prizes provided by the Friends of the Library. Extra copies of the books will be available at the library.

#### Winter Picture Books

Novelist, a database available through the library's membership in the Merrimack Valley Library Consortium, has a variety of features to help readers select fiction that suits every age and interest. You can find this database on the library's web site at [www.wilmlibrary.org](http://www.wilmlibrary.org). Click on "websites and databases." Clicking on "databases" will take you to "Answers to Go." Select "EbscoHost (MVLIC)" from the drop down menu and then select Novelist. You will need your library card to access this database.

The following list of selected picture books about winter was compiled by Heidi Estrin for the Novelist database. These books and many other picture books with a winter theme are available in the children's col-

lection at the Wilmington Memorial Library.

**Time to Sleep** by Denise Fleming. A clever cumulative tale of hibernation. Bear notices the smell of winter in the air, and tells Snail, who tells Skunk, who tells Turtle, and the news passes through the entire forest until Ladybug hurries to tell the already-sleeping Bear. Bright autumn colors transition to winter scenes in Fleming's textured paintings.

**The Snowy Day** by Ezra Jack Keats. The classic tale of Peter's day playing in the snow still holds up to repeated readings. For his simple joy in the snow, to his typical snowy amusements, to his disappointment when his snowball melts in his pocket, every word of the story rings true. The urban setting, uncommon in winter stories, is an added bonus.

**Frederick** by Leo Lionni. As his friends work to prepare for winter, Frederick the mouse seems to be daydreaming lazily. However, once the food supplies are found, it is Frederick's supplies of summertime imagery that warm and cheer the other mice, taking the edge off the dreary cold. A lovely story of the needs for spiritual, as well as bodily, sustenance.

**Owl Moon** by Jane Yolen. Poetic, suspenseful and highly sensory, this is the story of a father and daughter going owl-hunting on a moonlit winter night in the woods near their home. In the silent, frigid woods, Pa imitates the call of a Great Horned Owl. Patience is rewarded when the owl flies into view. A special tale of the bonds between family members and between people and nature.

## MEMA issues winter weather preparedness info

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Emergency Preparation Kit, as MEMA continues to suggest, should be in fine shape already. Everyone should have some non-perishable food, bottled water, flashlights and extra batteries around the house, along with a portable radio or NOAA Weather Radio in case of power outages or other emergencies caused by a winter storm.

Additional items that should be included on your Winter Weather Supply List are a freshly-stocked first-aid kit, essential prescription medicines, non-perishable foods, a non-electric can opener, water, (one gallon per person, per day) baby-care items, extra blankets, sleeping bags and a fire extinguisher.

"Every household should develop a Family Emergency Communication Plan in case family members are separated from one another during a storm," said McCombs.

Suggested items for a Winter Emergency Car Kit include a flashlight with extra batteries, a basic first-aid kit, necessary medications, a pocket knife, booster cables, a blanket or sleeping bag, extra clothes, non-perishable foods, a non-electric can opener, sand for generating vehicle traction, tire chains or traction mats, a basic tool kit, a tow rope, a container of water and a brightly colored cloth to serve as a flag.

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# Nearly 200 Local Heroes care packages reach soldiers

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to the supply outlet. That very day she received two packages from Local Heroes.

"She said that with those packages, she and her girlfriends were all set for about two weeks and didn't have to buy anything," Cimaglia said.

Cimaglia is always looking for the addresses of soldiers with ties to Wilmington, whether those ties are with immediate family members, relatives or friends. Just last week, Cimaglia added another seven addresses to his growing list. Cimaglia encourages anyone

to call 978-658-3000 to provide additional names and addresses.

Monetary donations can be made in one of two ways, either by depositing a check into the organization's account at Citizens Bank in Wilmington Plaza or by mailing the amount to Local Heroes at P.O. Box 536 in Wilmington, MA 01887.

Every penny of the money donated to Local Heroes goes directly toward the brave servicemen and women serving overseas and their families here at home.

Bumper stickers with the

Local Heroes logo may also be purchased at the Citizens Bank in Wilmington Plaza.

Items for packages may be dropped in the bins set up at Market Basket and Lucci's.

According to Cimaglia, the most common requests from soldiers right now include hand warmers, power drinks, powdered drinks, and even toilet paper.

Items appropriate for the care packages are varied, but specific. For instance, while individually wrapped candies are welcomed, nothing with chocolate or a chocolate coating can be

accepted, due to the warm climate of the Middle East. Instead, Sweet-Tarts, Tootsie Rolls, Tootsie pops, Twizzlers, bubble gum, Skittles, lollipops, Life Savers, Maryjanes, Bit-O-Honeys, and the like are encouraged.

All types of toiletries are in short supply for our soldiers.

Certain items that may seem innocuous to the donor, however, cannot be accepted. No aerosol products, pork-based products, or any type of tobacco products can be accepted, for instance.

## Business robbed at knifepoint

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area, but in Andover and North Reading.

"Andover had a couple of breaks of homes just off of Route 125 on the day before," Neville said. "North Reading also had a house break off of Park Street near the Lobster Claw restaurant."

Neville advises Wilmington residents to be alert to suspicious cars and activity and report such things immediately to the police.

"We'd much rather investigate suspicions that don't lead to any criminal activity and respond to false alarms than to have to respond later to a house break," Neville said.

## American Red Cross Protect yourself from home heating hazards with Red Cross safety tips

With a dramatic rise in apartment and house fires during the cold weather months, the American Red Cross urges families to stay safe in their efforts to stay warm.

Home heating hazards are typically to blame. According to the National Fire Protection Association, four out of seven home fires occur during the coldest months of December, January and February, and about half of these fires are caused by using candles and overloading electrical circuits. With temperatures dropping early this year, many families are turning to alternative heating sources out of necessity or to avoid the rising cost of oil and gas. The Red Cross encourages families to take the following precautions:

"Be aware of overuse of electrical outlets-Don't overload your electrical outlets. Be careful of extension cords that present hazardous walkways.

"Be cautious with portable space heaters- Place space heaters at least three feet away from anything combustible, including wall paper, bedding, clothing, pets, and people.

Never leave space heaters operating when you are not in the room or when you go to bed. Don't leave children or pets unattended with space heaters, and be sure everyone knows that drying wet mittens or other clothing over space heaters is a fire hazard.

"Be careful with candles- Do not use candles for lighting if the power goes out. Use flashlights only. Keep candles away from combustible materials. Don't leave children unattended in a room with lit candles. Keep candles, matches and lighters out of the reach of children. Never display lighted candles in windows or near exits.

"Inspect fire places and wood stoves- Have your chimney connections and flues inspected by a professional and cleaned if necessary prior to the start of every heating season. Use a sturdy screen when burning fires. Burn only wood-never burn paper or pine boughs. Do not hang holiday decorations from or on your fireplace if you plan to use it as a heat source.

"Check smoke detectors- Make sure detectors are work-

ing properly and that new batteries are installed.

"Use generators carefully- If you have a portable generator and the power goes out, always plan to keep the generator outdoors-never operate it inside, including the basement or garage. Do not hook up a generator directly to your home's wiring. The safest thing to do is to connect equipment you want to power directly to the outlets on the generator. Connecting a cord from the generator to a point on the permanent wiring system and backfeeding power to your home is an unsafe method to supply a building with power.

"Create a disaster supplies kit- Get together lifesaving items in both your home and vehicle. Go to [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org) for a list of materials.

"Use clothes and blankets to build layers against the cold- Have extra blankets, scarves, hats and sweaters on hand, and ensure that each member of your household is ready with a warm coat, gloves or mittens, hat, and water resistant boots when you go outside.

## Election season fast approaching

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and Raymond Lepore will be called upon to defend their seats on the Board of Selectmen in the upcoming election. The two available selectmen seats are for 3-year terms.

Two positions for 3-year terms on the School Committee, currently held by Theresa Buonopane and Marilyn Lamson, are also up for grabs.

A single 5-year term on the Housing Authority, currently occupied by Arthur Hicks, will be the only other elected office appearing on the ballot.

For more information, please call the Town Clerk's office at 978-658-2030.

## From the crime lab to the kitchen

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meats to varieties of oils and spices.

"One of my clients doesn't like mushrooms," Bachta said. "Mushrooms are one of my favorite things to cook with, but with this client I don't use them in any way shape or form."

Personalized menus are then agreed upon and a "cook date" is determined. He shops for all of the ingredients on the day of cooking and then arrives at the client's home to prepare a predetermined number of meals.

"I then package everything either for the refrigerator or the freezer, label them with reheating instructions and clean everything up," Bachta said. "I leave nothing behind but delicious smells and great food."

In addition to personal chef services and teaching cooking classes, Bachta specializes in dinner parties and small event catering. Ipswich resident Alyce Paquin recently employed Bachta's talents for the 60th birthday party she

threw for her husband.

"All of my guests were impressed," Paquin said.

Paquin and her husband generally entertain their guests while in the kitchen preparing the evening's meal.

"Mark and his wife did exactly what we generally do, which gave comfort to my guests," Paquin said. "I couldn't have been happier with his approach and when he left the leftovers were packaged and put away."

In November, Bachta prepared an afternoon tea for 60 people at the Minute Man National Park in Lexington. In keeping with the setting, Bachta created a "period-accurate" event by creating a period-specific menu. He researched foods from the 1700's and prepared a menu including Queen's Cake, Potted Cheese, an assortment of cookies, cheddar cheese, and dried fruits.

He recently completed teaching the fall semester in Tewksbury and begins again in the end of January.

Bachta took a bit of an alternate route to the culinary world. He possesses a Master's degree in Criminal Justice and has an established career as a crime analyst for the MBTA Transit Police. He enrolled in culinary school in 2002, attending 20 hours of night classes per week while continuing his career as a crime analyst.

"There were many nights where I would pull into my driveway at 2 a.m. after a long night of cooking and say to myself, 'I must be nuts,'" Bachta said. "But in the end I absolutely loved the experience."

Bachta is preparing to leave his career in law enforcement in the coming months, in favor of his new career as a chef/entrepreneur.

"I come from a family of law enforcement," Bachta said. "I went into criminal justice because it is what I knew. Now I'm convinced that I need to be doing what I love to do."

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For More Information Please Call

Eleanor Salvucci, Registrar: **978-851-9901**

or the School Office: **978-686-2777**

## Wilmington Senior Menu

Week of January 3, 2005

**Monday:** Beef Ravioli with tomato sauce, warm breadstick, steamed broccoli, peaches and cream.

**Tuesday:** Breaded pork chop with gravy, mashed potato, steamed carrots, multi-grain bread, applesauce, cookie.

**Wednesday:** Salisbury steak with gravy, egg noodles, sliced beets, lite rye bread, strawberries with topping.

**Thursday:** Baked ham, mashed sweet potato, green peas, whole wheat dinner roll, pineapple chunks, vanilla pudding.

**Friday:** Grapefruit juice, baked fish with crumb topping, rice pilaf, steamed green beans, cherry muffin.





Wilmington Town Crier's

## Female Athlete of the Year: Lani Cabral-Pini

By JAMIE POTE  
Sports Editor

In one calendar year, Lani Cabral-Pini has been a part of two league championship teams, while she also helped the girls basketball team qualify for the state tournament for the first time in four years despite playing the second half of the season with a broken hand.

In the big picture, the three and a half years as a student-athlete here at Wilmington High School, she's been a key figure to five league championship teams, she's been a league all-star in two sports, and currently ranks third in her entire class academically.

Above all, she's the quintessential role model. She's tremendous with young children, while she also has the tough task of playing three different sports - basketball, soccer and softball - facing other girls who are all bigger than she is.

So how tall is Lani Cabral-Pini after all?

"Are you five feet?"  
"Yeah I'll go with that, it sounds good," she answered with a big laugh, although knowing she's under five feet tall.

### A strong background

The sports background in the Cabral-Pini family is very strong. Her parents grew up in Cambridge and were outstanding athletes at CHS.

Her father Tony played football, basketball and ran track, while her mother Audrey played field hockey, basketball and softball. Audrey later served as the head girls basketball coach at Cambridge Ridge and Latin, where she is a teacher. She resigned several years ago as head basketball coach, and currently serves as the assistant softball and assistant girls basketball coach at WHS, meaning she's on the bench for two of the sports her daughter plays.

"My parents played everything," said Lani. "My sister (Melody) wasn't into sports as much as I've been. Sometimes it's tough having my Mom (as an assistant coach). During sports I call her Audrey and not Mom so there's no favoritism or anything like that. It's tough because I just want to prove to people that having my mom here is not why I play. But there's good things too."

"My mom always knows what I'm doing wrong and she'll tell

me. She always knows what she's talking about."

### One tough guard

During the first six games of last year's girls basketball season, things weren't going too well. The team was struggling with a 1-5 record. The 'Cats had a strong inside game with the likes of senior Bryanna Moroney and freshman Ashley Vitale, and a veteran point guard in Cabral-Pini, who had yet to come out of her shell. Known for her explosive speed and toughness on the court, Cabral-Pini had yet to start to shoot. She can shoot, but didn't do it enough.

When she finally decided to break out of her shell, the team started to win. With a nice mix of outside and inside shooting, the girls reeled off five wins in a row, beating three extremely good Cape Ann League teams along the way with Amesbury, North Andover and Masconomet.

At that time Wilmington needed four more wins to get into the state tournament for the first time in four years. They had a .500 record and needed three wins in their last six games to qualify. Around that time, Cabral-Pini was making her daily visits to trainer Bill Martin, who tapped her hand for practices. One day she went to see him again for the daily tape job and Martin refused to do it.

"I went to him and he said Lani you're hand is broken and I'm not going to tape it," said Lani. "I'm like c'mon Bill, it's fine just tape it. He said he wouldn't and in order for me to play again I had to go to the doctors. I ended up going to a doctor in Cambridge, who is the doctor for the BC ice hockey team. Anyway, she took an X-Ray and said it was broken. She ended up making a splint for me and said I could play. But there was no way I was sitting out, no matter what she told me."

During those last six or seven games, Cabral-Pini still brought the ball up the court everytime. She still dribbled the ball as much as ever. She still dished out and received passes. She still buried the impressive three-point swishes that she got so accustomed to doing.

"She needed to touch the ball on every play and you could tell how much it affected her everytime she did touch the ball," said basketball coach Al Duffett. "You could just tell how

much pain she was in. But she refused to come out. She played six games with that, and all she cared about was helping the two seniors Bryanna (Moroney) and Elise (Maglione) make it to the tournament. She did it for them, and for the team."

Duffett has come on board for his third season now and sometimes he can be a tough coach to play for. He's extremely demanding, but at the same time if you stay with him, he'll teach and coach more than kids or parents will ever know. Lani Cabral-Pini knows that herself.

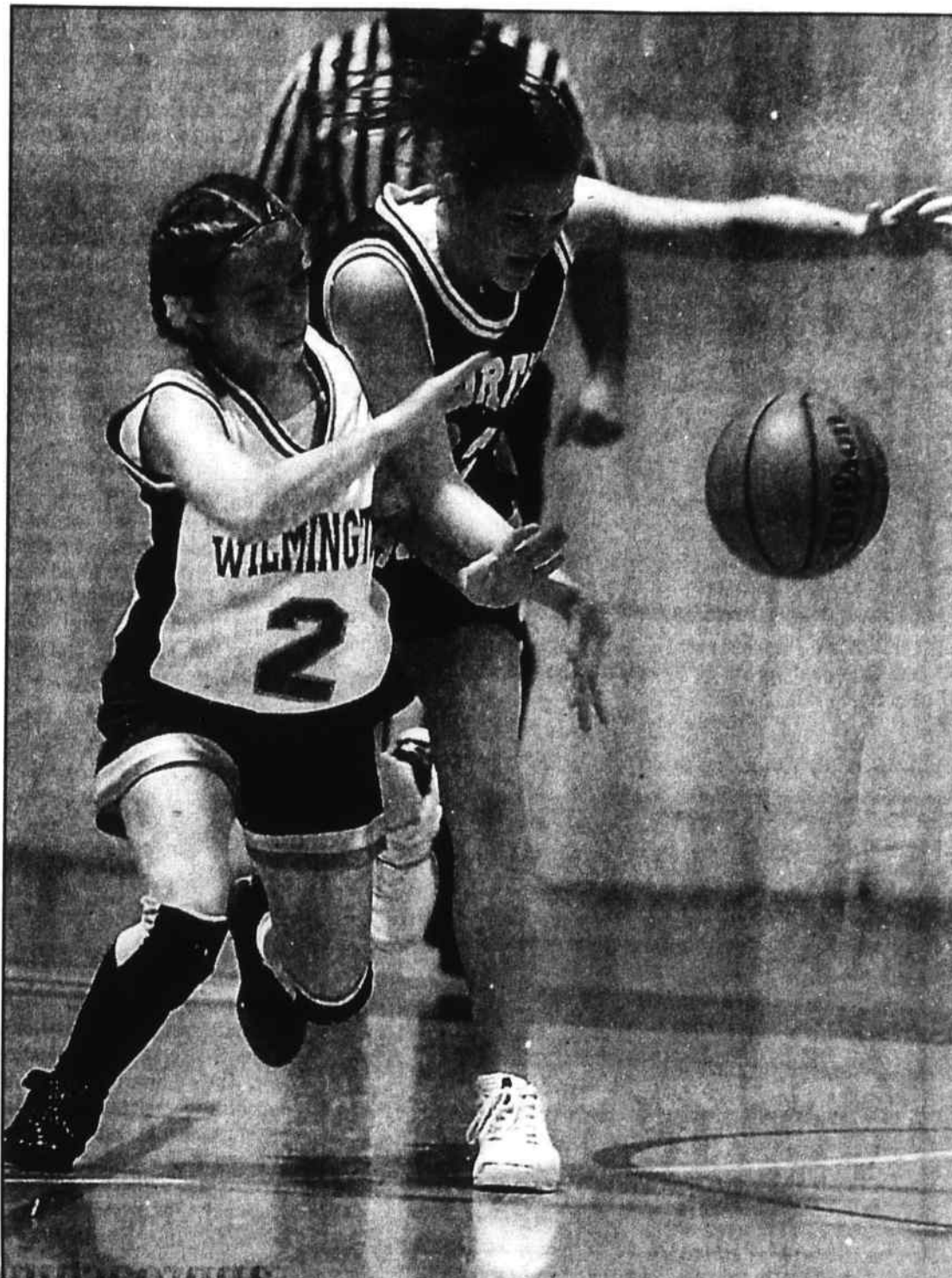
"If you don't play for him people just think he's crazy," she said. "But once you get to know him you realize that he's one of the nicest guys you'll ever meet. He has these stories and he'll be telling them and we'll look at him and say 'what are you talking about'. But he makes us laugh but it also pumps us up. He keeps you in shape."

"He has these really weird drills that when you are doing them you are like 'why are we doing this' but then you realize later on how much they have helped you. He's helped me a lot with my shooting. I definitely shoot more now - before I used to just dribble and look to pass."

Duffett is extremely demanding of Cabral-Pini. She's his point-guard, who is suppose to lead the team's offense, whether it be taking a three-pointer or driving to the hole for a basket or just to get fouled. She's suppose to be good defensively, causing havoc with her speed and creating steals and turnovers. She's also the team's lone captain, who is suppose to lead the team by example on and off the court, who is also suppose to help mend the team together. The coach said that the senior has gobbled up all of those roles with ease.

"She is awesome and so deserving (of the athlete of the year award)," said Duffett. "She's a very hard worker and just so tough. She's the leader on the floor and the quintessential team player. She has a passion for winning and is just in an old school mode. She's a throw back player. She listens, she's very coachable and she's just the best. In my 20 years as a coach she's in my Hall of Fame for captains."

"She loves being a part of Wilmington High School sports. She's proud to be on the team and in the school. She's very



Wilmington High senior Lani Cabral-Pini is the Town Crier's 11th annual Female Athlete of the Year after playing three sports, including basketball for the Lady 'Cats.

(JoeBrownphotos.com)

bright and just a tremendous three-sport athlete. She's big on team chemistry with team dinners and making signs and she's just very well respected by not only her teammates but in the league. She has a very good shot and she's not afraid to take the ball in the hole against the Giants. I'm going to miss her - I really will."

"She's awesome with kids - she's a youth basketball coach and she made a friend in Emily (Erickson), who comes to all of the games. Lani is just awesome - she's just the best."

### Switching spots on the diamond

As a freshman, Cabral-Pini was the pinch runner for the softball team, who made it to the Division 2 North sectional final. As a sophomore she was the team's right fielder, playing very well defensively, while she also carried a solid bat, adding pressure on opposing team's defenses because of her speed and most importantly her ability to bunt, drag bunt and slap. She bats right-handed for the Wildcats, but can also bat left handed.

Over the past three years she's been a part of a three league championship seasons including this past one where she moved to shortstop and did a solid job with the glove, and the bat ending with a .317 clip which was good for a CAL all-star selection.

"We had some really good seniors on (last year's team)," said Cabral-Pini. "We had Shannon (Fahey), Lauren (Rappoli) and Jackee (Joyce) who were our three, four and five hitters, who played third, pitcher and catcher. It's definitely going to be very hard to replace them. We were just such a goofy team (last year), we always were goofy and just a weird team that had so much fun together."

Being versatile with the bat is one thing but for Cabral-Pini she had to be versatile with the glove as well, making the switch from second base in the

pre-season over to shortstop when head coach Bob Surran rearranged his entire infield.

"I was happy to make the switch to shortstop," she said. "I play there for my summer travel team. You're more involved and you stay more focused. When Lauren (Rappoli) was there she had such a strong arm, so when I was put there I knew I had to make up for not having such a strong arm, so I tried to make up for it with my speed and getting to as many balls as I could."

Surran said that the Town Crier couldn't have made a better selection for the Female Athlete of the Year.

"That's a great choice, it really is," he said. "Lani is a go-getter. She really works hard in everything she does. She was great for us, but I know she's a very good athlete with the other sports. Her sophomore year she played right field and last year as a junior she moved to shortstop and stepped in very nicely. We didn't expect her to be our shortstop but boy she did do a great job defensively."

"She was on base a lot. She has the phenomenal speed but I think she surprised a lot of teams because of how well she

hit. She's just not the bunt and slapper, but she keeps teams honest with her hitting ability. The kids look up to her because of her good work ethic."

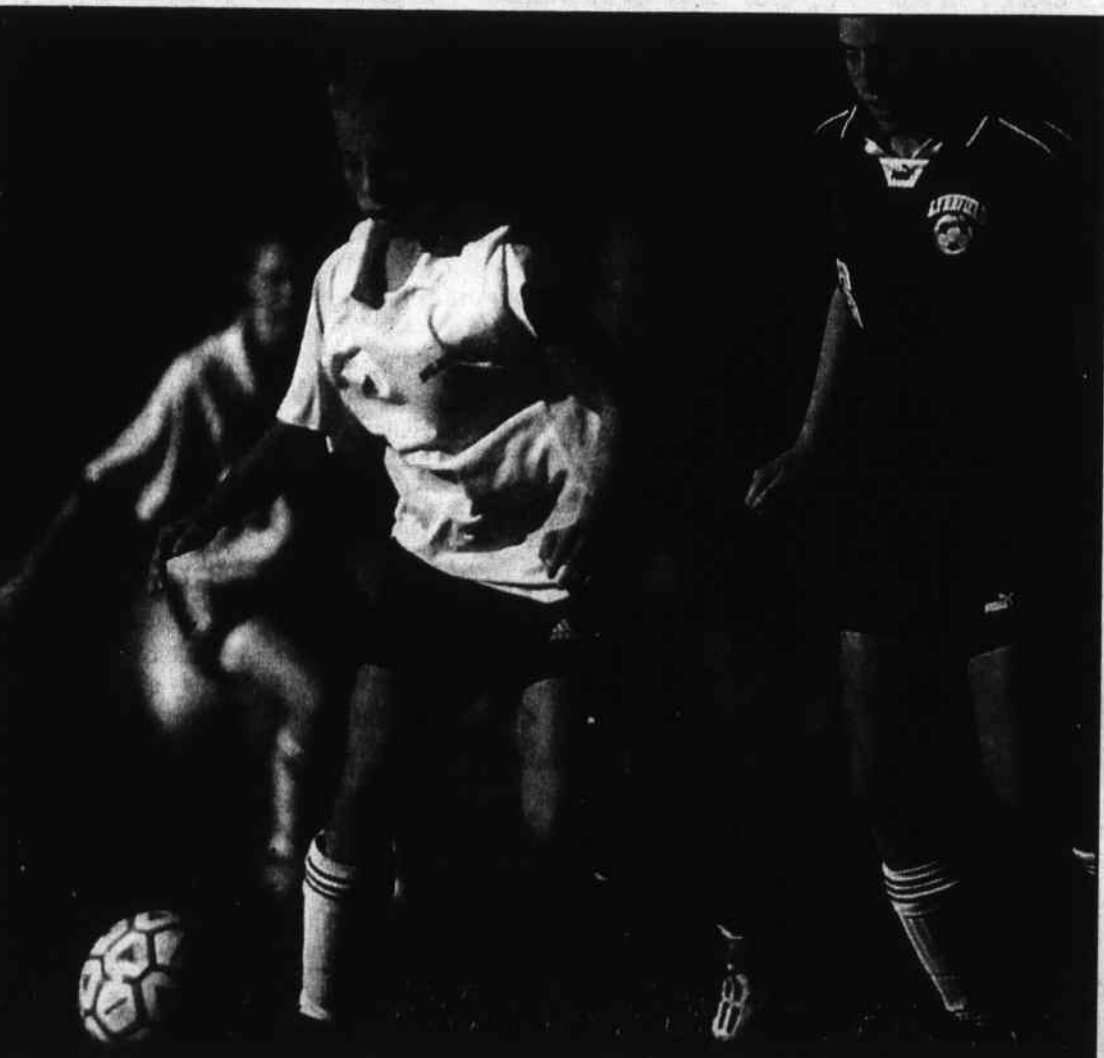
### Marking the midfield

On the soccer field, Cabral-Pini has been a midfielder on the two-time Cape Ann League championship girls soccer squad. She's not flashy on the field by any means but she gets the job done. She passes extremely well, she's very knowledgeable, while her speed makes up for a lot either getting up in the offensive play or getting back to help out the defenders. She was voted onto the Cape Ann League all-star team this past fall.

"I think this past year was less expected than the first one," said Cabral-Pini of the two league title seasons. "We didn't have Rachel (See) or Lauren (Rappoli) who were the core of that team. We set goals at the start of the season to remain CAL champs. We got off to a slow start but then we just kept pushing ourselves to achieve that goal."

"I think the transition game was a big part of the success,

CABRAL-PINI PG SP 2W



Wilmington High senior Lani Cabral-Pini was voted a league all-star this past fall as she helped the Lady 'Cats win the Cape Ann League title for the second straight year.

(Jessica Stygles photo)

## Female Athlete of the Year

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| 2004 | Lani Cabral-Pini   |
| 2003 | Lauren Rappoli     |
| 2002 | Ashley Morgado     |
| 2001 | Jackie Rubino      |
| 2000 | Kim Gillespie      |
| 1999 | Kristen Kacamburas |
| 1998 | Michelle McGonagle |
| 1997 | Melissa Mather     |
| 1996 | Julie Gillis       |
| 1995 | Leanne Harris      |
| 1994 | Nancy Pote         |



# Wilmington Female Athlete of the Year: Lani Cabral-Pini

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especially with Sam (Canning). Once we got out of the helter-skelter kick-and-run style and played more as a team we started to win."

Head coach Sue Hendee has been blessed with many talented soccer players over the years, whether it's been

Adrienne Fay, Lindsay Bruno, Rachele See or Lauren Rappoli, but said there's a special place for a player like Cabral-Pini.

"As an athlete, Lani is the complete package," said Hendee. "She is smart, dedicated, skilled, fit, agile, and quick. She makes great deci-

sions, is a total team player, plays as well defensively as she does offensively, and loves every sport that she plays.

"Lani sets high standards for herself and tries 100% of the time to achieve them. She understands the importance of practice in achieving her goals, and this is what sets her apart from many other athletes. I can't remember a single day in which Lani slacked off, and that kind of intensity in practice certainly carried over in game situations.

"It is also rare to see an athlete with her intensity play with as much self control as she does. While others may fall apart when they are pushed around, yelled at, frustrated, or pressured, Lani just kind of takes it all in, deals with it, and carries on.

"All of these attributes make Lani the terrific person that she is. You can't only see her as a great athlete, because she is a superior student as well. To judge her only as a focused student-athlete takes away from the fact that her personality makes her a great role model, respected leader, and loyal friend. Toss in being dependable, hard working, polite, respectful, and kind, and you've got one special kid."



Lani Cabral-Pini was voted a Cape Ann League All-Star in softball this past spring as a shortstop on the three-time league champion Wildcat team.

(Jessica Styges photo)

# Where's the Action

Day	Date	Sport	Opponent	Time
<b>Tewksbury Sports</b>				
Thurs	Dec 30	Girls Gymnastics	at Central Catholic	10:00 AM
Thurs	Dec 30	Wrestling	at Lowell Holiday	12:00 PM
Thurs	Dec 30	V Hockey	at Maine Tournament	6:00 PM
Fri	Dec 31	V Hockey	at Maine Tournament	Noon
Tues	Jan 4	Fr B/G Hoop	at Dracut	3:30 PM
Tues	Jan 4	JV/V Boys Hoop	at Dracut	6:7:30 PM
Tues	Jan 4	JV/V Girls Hoop	vs Dracut	6:7:30 PM
Wed	Jan 5	V Hockey	at Dracut	6:00 PM
Wed	Jan 5	Wrestling	vs Wakefield	7:00 PM
Thurs	Jan 6	B/G Track vs Billerica	at Lowell	3:30 PM
Thurs	Jan 6	Girls Gymnastics	at Dracut	7:00 PM
<b>Wilmington Sports</b>				
Fri	Dec 31	V Boys Hockey	vs Nashua at Veterans	1:00 PM
Sat	Jan 1	V Girls Hockey	vs Burlington	2:30 PM
Sat	Jan 1	V Boys Hockey	vs Dracut	4:30 PM
Tues	Jan 4	JV/V Boys Hoop	at Manchester	5:6:30 PM
Tues	Jan 4	JV/V Girls Hoop	vs Manchester	5:30/7PM
Wed	Jan 5	V Girls Hockey	at Everett	3:00 PM
Wed	Jan 5	Wrestling	vs Salem	6:30 PM
Wed	Jan 5	V Boys Hockey	vs Pentucket	7:20 PM
<b>Shawsheen Tech Sports</b>				
Tues	Jan 4	V Boys Hoop	at Chelsea	4:45 PM
Tues	Jan 4	V Girls Hoop	vs Chelsea	5:15 PM
Wed	Jan 5	Swimming	at Minuteman	3:30 PM
Wed	Jan 5	V Boys Hoop	vs Essex	4:45 PM
Wed	Jan 5	Wrestling	vs Gr. Lowell	7:00 PM

# Local happenings in sports

Burlington- Bay State Blades is now accepting applications for the individuals for the upcoming winter skating lessons at the Burlington Ice Palace in Burlington. New programs are available beginning January. For more information stop by the Burlington Ice Palace, call the Bay State Blades at (781) 871-7681 or visit [www.baystateblades.com](http://www.baystateblades.com)

Register soon. Space is limited.

• Tiny Blades- A beginner skating program for toddlers ages 2 1/2 to 5

• Tykes Hockey- A beginner hockey skating program for toddlers ages 2 1/2 to 5.

## Umpire Clinic

The Merrimack Valley Umpires Association (MVUA) announced today that the umpiring clinic for adult men, women, and teenagers (over 16) who want to be trained as certified (patched) baseball umpires, is scheduled to begin

on Tuesday, January 11, 2005 and continue on consecutive Tuesdays for the next seven weeks.

"I am always amazed that even though the MVUA has grown to over 130 members, we still do not have enough umpires to do all the games we are asked to cover," said Steve Martinelli, President of MVUA.

The clinics will be held from 6:30 PM - 9 PM at NECCO (Northern Essex Community College) -Haverhill Campus. The cost for the seven week program is \$85. Anyone interested is urged to contact 2nd Vice President Paul Belkas at (603) 382-3773 or go to [www.mvua.org](http://www.mvua.org).

The MVUA provides umpires to all levels of baseball from college, AAU, Babe Ruth to Little League in Mass and New Hampshire. The MVUA has been providing quality umpires to this area for over 50 years and is the oldest umpiring organization in Mass.

"Due to the quality of our MVUA umpires many more leagues are requesting that the MVUA be their official umpiring organization so consequently there is a shortage of certified umpires," said Belkas. "Umpires have the option to work as many or as few games as they like. They make their own schedules and make some extra money in the process. Some of our umpires do as many as 150 games a season and some do as few as 10 games at an average game fee of \$50. The MVUA supports candidates of both genders, all ethnic groups and teens, (men and women over age 16) to become umpires.

This year the MVUA has taken steps to ensure that anyone who wants to be an umpire and attends the clinics, but due to language or learning difficulties may have trouble with the written exam, will be assisted as much as possible.

For more information visit

[www.mvua.org](http://www.mvua.org).

## Hitting School

The North Reading Baseball School will again conduct its "Pre-Season Diagnostic Hitting Camp." Each session will be limited to 20 students with three instructors available. Eleven different sessions will be available from February 14 to March 18. Cost \$75.

## Hitting School Highlights

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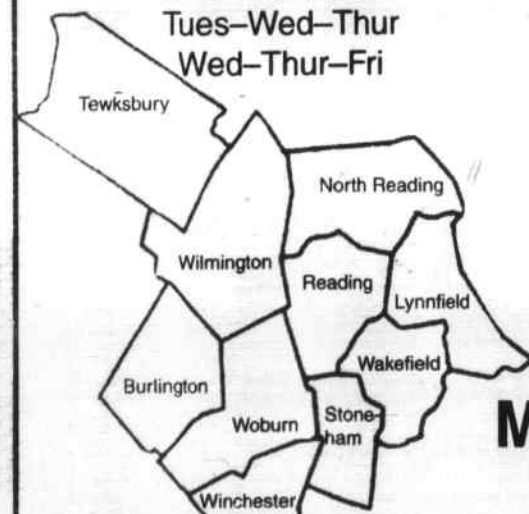
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## WHS Sports Round-Up

## Girls hockey team 3-0

By JAMIE POTE  
Sports Editor

The Wilmington High girls ice hockey team improved to 3-0 on the young season after defeating Acton-Boxboro, 5-0, in their home opener held last Wednesday night at the Ristuccia Exposition Center. The 'Cats dominated the game outshooting AB by a whopping 44-8 margin.

Casey Pickett once again led the attack with two goals and an assist. Kaitlyn Lynch picked up a goal and an assist as did Jessica Scioli. Maria Tucker had the other Wildcat goal, while, Bridget Griffin, Allison Powers and Marie Pascatore added single helpers. Goaltender Julie Martell made 8 saves to record her second shut out in three games.

"The girls played an incredible game," said coach Joe McMahon. "Every single time we sent a line out there, the five of them would come off the ice with absolutely nothing left. We rested them a bit, then they went right back out there and continued to do the same thing. The passing was great, the break out was really working and we had some quality shots on net. Their goalie made some very nice saves."

Wilmington returns home on Saturday for a 2:30 matinee against Billerica which will be followed by the varsity boys team at 4:30.

## Wrestling

The Wildcat wrestling team was first defeated by league power North Andover last Wednesday, 48-12, before win-

ning one of three matches in a quad meet the next day. The 'Cats defeated Whittier Tech, 67-12, but were defeated by Central Catholic (46-27) and Dracut (44-24) from the Merrimack Valley Conference. Wilmington is now 5-3 on the season.

"I know we lost three matches but honestly the kids wrestled really well," said coach Mike Pimental. "The effort was there and the kids did great, but we were defeated by three very good teams."

Mike Sorrentino (130), and Dan Hall (171) each won all three of their matches in the quad meet while, Nathan Clapp (112), and Brian Wilson (160) each had two.

Against North Andover, Mike Sorrentino, Brian Abbott and Evan Walsh had the wins.

## Boys Hockey

Senior Wildcat goaltender Tim Anderson played phenomenal in between the pipes stopping 39 of 40 shots in the team's 1-0 loss to Triton Regional last Wednesday night. Triton scored the goal with 5:08 left in the third period.

Wilmington, who are now 1-3 on the young season, got strong efforts from Ray Bennett and Zach Church defensively in front of Anderson.

The 'Cats return home Saturday afternoon for a 4:30 tilt against Dracut in a non-league game.

## Girls Hoop

The Lady Wildcats were defeated by Hamilton-Wenham on Thursday night, 53-40,

putting the team's record at 1-4. Wilmington came out very strong in the game but ran into foul trouble which seemed to slow down the momentum as the Generals had a 9-point half-time lead. Hamilton-Wenham upped the lead to as many as 20 points in the second half, before the 'Cats got it to 13 when the final buzzer went off.

The big killer for the 'Cats came from the free throw line with an awful 6-for-25 performance.

"Last year we started off 1-5 and we won five games in a row," said coach Al Duffett. "I'm still confident and I hope the girls are too. The thing is we are very young. I believe we are more athletic than we were last year but we're still young and we haven't found the consistency yet. We haven't been able to put two good halves together yet. We're going to get it - we are going to get it."

Ashley Vitale led the way with 15 points. Duffett said the team received good minutes from Stephanie Sauve and Alyssa Brown, the two freshmen, as well as junior Alissa Bibeau.

"It was her best game I've ever seen her play," said Duffett. "She beat girls off the dribble and she seems much more confident out there. Defensively she's very good - she's quick, she can jump but the key for her is she has to be confident."

Wilmington returns home on Tuesday against Manchester-Essex beginning at 7:00 pm.



Wilmington High's Eric Siegal skates up ice for the boys hockey team during a recent game held at Ristuccia Exposition Center.

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## Forget NHL, we have hockey right here

By LOUIE CIMAGLIA  
Sports Correspondent

Maybe it's a good thing that NHL owners and players can't agree on how many zeroes should be at the end of their contracts. Maybe it's all right that one of the most popular sports of all time came crashing down on the national level. And maybe Donald Trump will buy the NHL and start up his own league. Or maybe not. But either way, there is one other solution.

Paradoxically enough, the Bruins' old practice site is as far as you need to look for some good hockey. It's called youth hockey. This is what real hockey is. Those hockey glory days past of Gretzky, Howe, and Orr are gone, but not their style of play. No commercials. No interruptions because the mascot got stuck in the rafters. This is fast, physical hockey. It's the way hockey is meant to be played.

Last week before the holidays fully kicked in there were sports still in effect, and JV hockey was one of them. In frosty Ristuccia the Wildcats took on the Hornets

of North Reading. And sure enough there was ice, nets, a puck... yep, it was hockey all right. It seemed so foreign. So different. It was the lack of commercialism that made it better.

That's what the NHL officials have to learn. It's not about the money. You can call Tom Cruise all you want but no one's "gonna show you the money." The NHL is in trouble. They have to look back at the roots. At the kids.

The Wilmington JV team is a credit of a strong depth of talent. An array of freshmen in a variety of positions makes this team tough. Kevin Fitzpatrick and Mike Cabral split the duty between the pipes, Johnny Kincaid and Max Wilkins are the enforcers, and Ernie Mello, Sean Fay and Corey Tobin lead the offensive attack.

It was a quick first period with no goals scored thanks in part to the great net minding of Fitzpatrick. Midway through the second period Mello scored the first goal of the game making it 1-0. Seconds later Tobin fed Fay for a goal in traffic making it 2-0.

That's how the second period ended.

In the third, it was Cabral's turn in net. He was a little shaky at first, giving up a couple uncharacteristic goals, but he was solid the rest of the way through, stopping the Hornets' desperation attempts with the time ticking away. Keith Little scored a goal, and Mello added an empty net shot to make the score 4-2 Wildcats. And the great action doesn't end with goals. Kincaid and Wilkins were crushing everyone in the boards and disrupted the Hornets' hopes of having much offense at all.

This was the best hockey seen in a long time. It was nonstop end-to-end action. Wilmington High School has a great hockey program and it shows. Wayne Gretzky isn't coming back. Neither are the glory days of the Canadians and Bruins. But one thing is for sure: the commercial value may be gone, but the passion for the game that thrives in the hearts of children is still very much alive.

## Pee Wee E's enjoy vacation victories

The Wilmington Pee Wee E hockey team started the Christmas vacation off in fine fashion as they played games in 3 straight days and came away with a tie and 2 wins.

First was a 3-3 tie in Dual State action at Lawrence Academy against the Ash/West C team. Mark Contrado scored all 3 goals for Wilmington, one in each period. First was an unassisted goal midway thru the 1st period to give the Wildcats a 1-0 lead which stood until midway thru the 2nd when Ash/West got 2 quick ones past goalie Joey Walsh to take a 2-1 lead. Then Contrado was set up by Bobby Carlin for his 2nd of the game to tie it 2-2 after 2 periods.

Wilmington regained the lead at 3-2 when Cam Babine fed Contrado and he finished off his hat trick with only 5 minutes left in the game. But with only 3 minutes left Ash/West tied it up when their right winger fired a blistering wrist shot from the face off circle to the top corner. That's how it would end, knotted at 2.

The 2nd game of the week was a make up game at Burbank Arena in Reading against the Reading D team. This was a nail biter all the way, a game which featured great goal tending by Wilmington's Joey Walsh and 2 different Reading goalies. Neither team was able to score

until Mark Contrado sent Drew Cummings in alone on a break away with 4:30 left in the game and Drew deposited it home. That was the only goal of the game as the Wildcats skated off with the 1-0 shutout. Walsh and his defense were outstanding in this game.

The pairings of Mike Ciampa and Steve McNamara as well as Steve Taylor and Bobby Carlin were outstanding in shutting down the much bigger Reading team. They kept the few rebounds Joey left away from the net and worked the puck out of their own end perfectly all game long.

Also forwards Nick Pino, Jeff Goosens, Zak Gosselin, Cam Babine, Joey Russell, and Craig Benard did a good job of back checking and were especially effective keeping Reading hemmed in their own end during the last 2 minutes when they was trying to pull their goalie. The 1st star of this game however goes to goalie Joe Walsh.

Next up was a Tuesday afternoon affair at Brooks Academy. This was a Valley League match against the NH East C team. The short handed NH team came in with only 8 players and the Wildcats took full advantage of this edge as they were all over their opponent and totally wore them down. Drew Cummings scored on a break away from Jeff Goosens

early in the 1st period and the Cats never looked back as they coasted to a 6-0 win as goalie Joey Walsh recorded his 2nd straight shutout. He wasn't nearly as busy as the night before in Reading but he did make arguably his best save of the year when he flashed his glove to rob a NH winger of a sure goal. Craig Benard had a hat trick in this one and Mark Contrado had 2 goals.

Defenseman Mike Ciampa chipped in with 2 assists as did winger Jeff Goosens.

Also making the score sheet were Nick Pino, Cam Babine, and Joey Russell, all setting up goals with nifty passes. This was a total team effort from the goalie on out as the Wildcats played a flawless game on this day. Once again the defense of Mike Ciampa and Steve McNamara, and Steve Taylor and Bobby Carlin shut the door on their opponents attack.

The play of the game would come in the last minute. The Wildcats were clearly trying to set Craig Benard up for his hat trick and after he missed two golden opportunities Jeff Goosens picked up a loose puck at center ice and was breaking in alone when he spotted Craig on his right. In a most unselfish show of team play Jeff slid the puck over to Craig and he fired a wrist shot home for his hat trick.



# Xavier gets by Dayton in girls hoop highlights

## Girls Grades 3&4

Xavier 18, Dayton 14  
Kimberly Woods, Jana Lyns, and Lizzy Hill led Xavier in this close game. Julia Carter, Colleen Brothers, Delaney Gillis and Chloe Castellano showed outstanding effort for Dayton.

## Fordham 14,

G. Washington 10  
Fordham's great shooting and defense was the difference as they beat a very good George Washington team. High scorers for Fordham were Ryan Cahill 6, Erin Hurley 4, Bianca Carlson 2, and Laura Magee 2 points. Lauren McKenna led Fordham on defense. Leading the scoring for George Washington were Taylor Howlett with 4 points, Megan Priem 4, and Kathryn McFadden added 2 points. Samantha MacInnis and Alexandra Bischoff led Fordham in rebounding.

Richmond 19, Duquesne 4  
Richmond just couldn't miss as they ran past Duquesne. Leading scorers for Richmond were Jacqueline Kennedy and Caitlin O'Flaherty with 6

points, Alexandra Gemellaro 5, and Christina Riley added 2 points.

Hannah Briere led Richmond in rebounding. Duquesne was led in scoring by Samantha DePasquale and Gianna Tummino with 2 points each. Taylor Perella and Casey Murray led Duquesne on defense.

## Rhode Island 16, St Joe's 12

In a close game that went down to the last minute Rhode Island came away with a big win. Sara Pudvelis and Janelle Celeste who both had 6 points each, followed by Emily Nilsen and Alexandra Derian with 2 points each, led Rhode Island. Alexandra LeBlanc and Rachel Alatalo led Rhode Island in rebounding. St Joe's was led in scoring by Rachael Mara and Janelle Engrem with 4 points, and Kayla Falter with 2 points. Amelia Arbeely and Alana Madore led St Joe's on defense.

## LaSalle 11, Temple 10

In a close game that could have gone either way, LaSalle came away with the win. Leading the scoring for LaSalle were Kelly Valletta with 4

points, Kimberly Donoghue with 3 points, followed by Meghan Hydrn and Sara Cokash with 2.

Hannah Reynolds and Lauren Bennett led LaSalle in rebounding. Temple was led in scoring by Erin Duffy and Michelle Woods with 4 points, with Kaitlyn Curley topping off with 2. Presley Silva led Temple on defense.

## Girls Grades 5&6

Maryland 32, Clemson 12  
Kristin Ingala led Maryland with 12 points. Kayla Rossetti scored 8 and Shannon Keefe scored 4. Emily Erickson, Paige Bennett, Miranda Faison, and Kristina Tummino all scored 2 points for Maryland. Cali Pepper was the leading scorer for Clemson as she finished the day with 6 points. Rachel Grabar had 3 and Sabrina Mirabella had 2.

Nicole D'Agostino completed the scoring with a point. Meagan Cox, Katie Blanch, Ashley Walsh, and Lexi Arsenault all displayed great hustle on the court.

## Duke 32, Miami 1

Duke offensively dominated

this game as Kristen Keller and Lisa Hitchins scored 8 points apiece. Taylor Cushing, Emily Crannell, and Angelina Amato each scored 4 points in the Duke win. Lauren Azevedo and Alyssa Rossetti completed the scoring with a basket each. Miami never gave up as they gave it their all with only seven players. Each girl played with great determination and hustle. Hayley Robarge scored the point for Miami.

## Virginia 18, Florida St. 16

Virginia barely edged out Florida State in the final moments of this game. Maggie Brown led all scorers with 11 points. Brandi Queen, Jessica Lavin, and Courtney Cavanaugh each had 2 points. Hannah Middleton threw in the final point for Virginia. Fiona Gately led Florida State with 6 points.

Emily Schuh was next in line as she finished the day with 4. Brianne Dancoe, Jennifer Stewart, and Elizabeth Jaeschke each had 2 points. Alex O'Reilly, Marissa Genovese, Kelly McGowan, and Jenna Whooley all played well

for their respected teams.

## Girls Grades 7 - 10

Liberty 28, Sparks 11  
The Liberty led for much of the game as Danielle Polcari scored 8 points. Lauren Frissore and Brianna Parow each scored 6. Melissa Mahoney, Michelle White, and Kim Koerber all scored a basket for the Liberty. Devon Murphy led the Sparks with 4 points. Colleen Kennedy was next in line with 3 points. Ivy Co and Kaileigh Bernardo completed the scoring with a basket apiece. Katelyn McGrath and Erin McMahon made some great plays on both ends of the court.

## Mercury 27, Fire 19

Allison Bleier led the Mercury with 10 points. Lauren Hitchins was close behind with 9 points, including a three. Aubrey Ungvasky finished the day with 4 points. Lorraine Simoneau and Brittany Smith, each with 2 points, rounded off the scoring for the Mercury.

The Fire received offense from almost everyone on the team as Maureen Worthington and Jennifer Petinge each led

the scoring with 4 points. Ryan Giroux, Jenelle Femino, Stefany Barcellos, Elizabeth Crannell, and Alessandra Lyman each scored a basket for the Fire. Amy Fahey completed the scoring with a point. Jillian Lacey, Jacqui Lyman, Ericka Beraldi, and Kristlyn McNally all played with great determination.

## Storm 46, Comets 10

Cameron Woodbury and Charlotte Jensen led the Storm as they combined to score 24 points, 12 each. Erin Conway scored 6 points and Lauren Genovese and Tara Van Vranken each scored 4 points. Randi Davis, Sarah Choi, Kayla Davidson, and Kaila Whooley each scored a basket for the Storm. Brittany Schuh, and Allison Robbins, each scoring 4 points, led the Comets. Bryanna Mara scored 2 points. Jessica Burke, Jessica Rivera, Emily D'Amelio, and Laurel Pickett all played with great hustle all over the court.

# Squirt C's battle against Winthrop

The Wilmington Wildcat Squirt C hockey team won their only game last week before the Christmas break with an ugly 4-0 blanking of the Winthrop C team in Dual State League action at Hockeytown in Saugus.

This was sort of a sloppily played game as perhaps both teams had Santa's upcoming

arrival on their mind a little bit more than chasing the black biscuit around the ice. One key member of the team even forgot their game jersey but quickly found an old Wilmington practice jersey and after a little bit of white tape on the back for a number everything was A-OK.

Despite all the distractions

Wilmington would eventually take care of business in this one as Matt DiOrio set up Jake Russell for a goal to give them 1-0 lead after the 1st period. The score would stay that way until a nice passing play between Brooks Carter, Stevie Ciampa, and Nick DiStefano ended up with Nick potting one behind the Winthrop goalie for

a 2-0 lead late in the 2nd period.

The Cats put the game away with 2 quick ones in third. First DiStefano and Kevin Meuse set up Michelle Alonardo in the slot for a beautiful one-timer and Michelle made no mistake as she rifled it home for a 3-0 lead. Then Jake Russell closed out the scoring when he notched his 2nd of the game assisted by

Mike DiOrio and Zack Maher. Tommy Townsend recorded the shutout between the pipes as he stopped everything that came his way.

He got some outstanding defensive help from Tyler Maffei and Pat Brazzell as the puck was kept away from the Wildcat net for most of the game. Not much time to rest for

the C's as after Christmas they were all set to play in the Tewksbury Christmas tournament up at Super Skills at North Meadows in Tewksbury.

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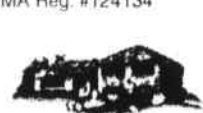
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# Ohio State defeats Indiana State by a basket in boys hoop play

## Boys Grade 3

Ohio State 15, Indiana St. 13  
Ohio State's Mitchell Goule, Scott Manganeli, and Cody McGowan had a hand in this close contest with Indiana. Nicholas DeStephano, Jimmy Gautreau, Sal DiSanto, and Sam Alatalo gave solid performances for Indiana.

Penn State 22, Michigan 8  
Colin Chasers, Tyler Carlson, Luke Foley, and Sean Coakley from Penn. St. all drove the winning effort for Penn State. Joe Bosco, Chris Babcock and Avery Woodbury of Michigan played well.

Purdue 13, Wisconsin 8  
Ryan McEvoy, Derek Santos, and Steven Parrott led team Purdue to a win. Patrick Walsh, Dylan Walsh, and Robert Carroll showed great hustle for Wisconsin.

## Boys Grade 4

Utah 21, New Mexico 4  
Good play this week by Eric Jaeschke, Dylan Champy, and Michael Sullivan. Jeff Favuzza had 2 points along with Eric. Good defense by Sam Borsetti. For Utah Chris Newton, David Arria, and Jessie Patterson had 4 points each. Tim Penny and Peter Warren each had 2, which contributed to the terrific offense displayed by Utah.

Air Force 39, San Diego St. 14  
It was a scoring fest with points here and points there and even a three pointer. For San Diego the top scorer was Anthony Scurto with eight while Ben Wilson, Mike Brown, and Tom Rossetti all had two. Despite great passing and defense by San Diego State, it was not enough to stop Air

Force who put on a scoring show. The two top scorers were Wayne Huynh and Patrick Barry who both had eight. Thomas Letellier had seven and hit a three pointer. Alex Girardo had six, Anthony Castellano had four, Troy Hamola had three, and Zach Sheppard had two.

BYU 19, UNLV 13  
Close game throughout but in the end BYU came out on top. For UNLV the top scorers were Sam Silva with four and Mike Marinella with four. Tyler Vibert and Mike Callahan had 2 each. Dan Luise had one and played great defense. For BYU the top scorer was James Wilkinson with ten and Steven Halas with eight. Dan Sullivan assisted with one and helped BYU beat the great UNLV.

Wyoming 22, Colorado St. 21  
A very close and exciting game where only great team could come out on top. Wyoming had multiple scorers with Joe Spinale having six, Mark Connelly having four, David Caira having four while Brendan O'Connell, Dan Hope, Marco Zappala, and Brian Fortuna each had two. Justin McKinnon of Colorado State was the standout performer of the day. Justin had eleven points but it wasn't enough for Colorado State to squeak out the win.

Points were put on the boards by Colin Doherty with six followed by Andrew Morris and Jack Campbell each posting two.

Boys Grade 5  
Rutgers 31, Georgetown 19  
Rutgers was led by the duo of Daniel D'Arcangelo and Zachary Reed scoring 8 and 6 points respectively. Matthew Costello also threw in 5 points as Ryan Bradley and Daniel Pothier threw in 4 points each.

Rounding off the scoring for Rutgers were Wayne Knoop and Steven Taylor each having a basket. Daniel Collins and Kyle Peach scored all but two of Georgetown's points as they had 9 and 8 points respectively. Throwing in the final two points was Jamie Mara. Both teams played a great game.

N. Dame 32, Pittsburgh 16  
Notre Dame dominated much of this game as Nathan Grimley scored 10 of the 32 points. Phil Lentini threw in 7 while Tom Broman and Tyler Canning had six points each. Mark Wadland had 2 points and Kyle Skinner ended the day with a point. Zachary Anderson provided much of the offense for Pittsburgh scoring 8 of the 16 points. Cody Cerra threw in 4 while Brenton Bockus and Kelly Carter had a basket apiece. The teams displayed great hustle on both ends of the court as they boys never gave up.

Villanova 24, Syracuse 16  
Villanova came away with the victory as Jim Welch and Nicholas Whalen combined to score 13 points. Jim had 7, including a three pointer and Nicholas had 6. Kyle Albanese finished the day with 4 points. Chris Piscatelli, Steven Reynolds, and Cole Pepper each had a basket and Ian Haggerty scored the final point for Villanova. Edward Boggin, who had 7 points, including a three, led Syracuse. Michael Biondo had 4 and Michael Mullins threw in 3. Jack Mulrenan and Andrew Medeiros each had a basket as they completed the scoring for Syracuse.

St. Johns 24, Providence 22  
St. Johns barely edged out Providence in this exciting game. John Parsons and Tim McCarthy led the team with 10 and 8 points respectively. Robert Sutura threw in 5 and Nicholas Luise scored the final point for St. Johns. With 13 points, Vincent Scifo once again led Providence. Colin McGuire was the next in line with 3. Ryan Walsh, Trevor Foley, and Kenneth Fryer each had a bas-

ket.

## Boys Grades 6 & 7

De Paul 33, Louisville 23  
DePaul had another strong performance. Brady Detwiler led them with 12 points followed by Connor O'Riordan with 7 points. Aaron Brown and Robert Cameron played great defense in the win. Louisville's top scorer Matthew Celeste poured in 14 and Cameron Shepard pitched in with 3. Christian Sanborn and Ryan Derian had a solid defensive game for Louisville.

Cincinnati 40, Marquette 35  
Cincinnati squeaked out a 5-point win. Nicholas Boutoures and Ian Sullivan led them with 10 points each. Jesse Bozella had a strong game with 9 points and 7 rebounds. Marquette fought hard and was led by Robbie Fisher with 15 points, followed by Cody Nilson with 8 and Chris Frissore with 4. Both teams played fine defense.

South. Miss 37, St. Louis 26  
Southern Miss played a great game. Zachary Copp and Marc Weber who each had 6 points led the team. Five other players for Southern Miss had 4 points, providing a great overall team effort. St. Louis's top scorer was Adam Kline with 8. Chris DiCecce poured in 5 and Stephan Rodenhiser had 4. Matthew Cardelli played solid defense for St. Louis.

Memphis 30, S. Florida 21  
Memphis came out victorious and was led by Michael Amentola with 12 points. James Bonish scored 8 and Tim Barnard had 4. Sean Hanley, Richard Barry and John Malone each played solid defense and had 2 steals. S. Florida's offensive attack was led by Adam Paquette with 7 points. Nicholas Nearhos, Mike Arria and Mike Kelly each dropped in 4. Matthew Bocchino had 5 rebounds and was a force on the defensive end.

Tulane 35, E. Carolina 26  
Tulane came up big down the stretch and beat a tough E. Carolina team by 9 points. Tulane's main man was Andrew Companschi who only

scored 4 points but had 12 huge rebounds. The leading scorers for Tulane were Keegan Farnham and Jonathon Davidson who each added 8.

Patrick Enwright led the charge for E. Carolina with 11 points. Cody O'Connor added 5 and Matthew McKenna scored 4. Brendan Fullerton and Dana Ferranti both played solid defense in the loss.

Charlotte 41, Houston 13  
Charlotte's offensive explosion was led by the man big Tyler Whalen with 17 points and 2 huge blocks. Mark Contrado added 10 points and Mark Scullari pitched in with 8. Houston's top scorer was David Mello with 9. James Mura scored 4 and William McGrath had 2. Charlotte played excellent defense in the win.

Boys Grades 8 - 10

Lakers 47, Grizzlies 43  
The Lakers made a great comeback in this game as Michael Manganeli led them with 17 points. Nick Zappala and Charlie Waitt also provided much of the offense for the Lakers as they had 10 and 8 points respectively. Robert McIssac also contributed 6. Ben Stuke, Brandon Anderson, Brad Jackson, and John O'Brien all had a basket for the Lakers. Carlton Lentini was unstoppable for much of the game as he also scored 17 points to lead the Grizzlies.

Bobby Donoghue finished the day with a big 14 points. Robert Mahoney had 7 while William Starratt had a big three pointer and Ben Ferry had 2.

Pistons 47, Knicks 33  
Brendan Fahey and Shane Simbeck led all scorers with 15 points each for the Pistons in their win. Shawn Foley was also a leading scorer with 7. Jesse Belding had 5 while Jerry Smith had 4. Chris Rastellini and Brian Williams both finished the day with 2 points. Billy Stuke led the Knicks with 11 points and Thomas Barry was next in line with 8. Ryan Searles finished the day with 7 and Michael Barry had 5. Jason Baker completed the

scoring with 2.

## Bulls 60, Nets 23

The Bulls dominated much of this game as Kevin Skinner led the way with 19 points. Matt Brooks was also a force as he had 13 points, including three treys. Jonathan Spurr also was a leading scorer with 11. David Rak had 8 while Stephen McDonald and Stephen Doucette each had 4. Ryan Kennedy threw in a three-pointer and Michael Pizzotti finished the game with a basket. The nets had many scoring 5 points, including Ryan Fahey, Andrew Puccio, and Colin MacDonald. Keith Quigley and Andrew Marra had 3 apiece. Stephen Tello rounded off the scoring with a basket.

## Magic 72, Wizards 42

The Magic were able to pull away for the victory in an exciting game as Jonathan Chirichello led all scorers with 16 points including a three. Matt Bibeau and Scott Bonica were also threats on offense as they scored 15 and 14 points respectively.

Trevor Cormier threw in 12 while Dan Dellisola had 7. John Michado had 6 and Mark Gracia completed the scoring with a deuce. Tim Korajczyk led the Wizards with 10 points. Kevin Carter was close behind with 7 and Jonathan Kincaid and Chris Welsh each with 6 points. Ryan Savini also had two treys, giving him 6 points on the day. Tim Forte threw in 4 while Matt Kincaid completed the scoring with a three.

## Hornets 49, Cavaliers 33

The Hornets controlled much of this game as Matt Derian led the way with 15 points, including a three. Pat Cassidy was close behind with 13 points. Alan Dooley threw in 7 and Grant Evans finished the day with 6. Nick Jannone threw in 4 while Greg Bell had a basket. Don Evans and Pat Boyle, each with a point, completed the scoring. The duo of Justin Cerra and John Trafaglia led the Cavaliers with 17 and 10 points respectively. Jordan Marchesi and Matt Sullivan each had 2.

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to: Ronald Bloom of, 182 Williams Ave., in Lynn, MA. Who is the last registered owner of a 1994 Geo Tracker Vin number 2CNBJ18U0R6935327 that this vehicle will be sold at auction on or about Dec. 31, 2004 at A&S Towing Inc., 600 Main Street, Wilmington, MA. The vehicle will be auctioned to recovetowling and storage charges that are past due.

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## LEGAL NOTICE

### TOWN OF TEWKSBURY



### CONSERVATION COMMISSION LEGAL NOTICE PUBLIC HEARING DETERMINATION OF APPLICABILITY

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on January 5, 2005 at 7:10 PM in the Town Hall Auditorium, 1009 Main Street Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by Jay Cohen for a Determination of Applicability.

Said property is located on 71 Nina Drive. Assessor's Map(s) 8 Lot(s) 77. Construction of a deck. The application may be examined in the Planning and Conservation Department during normal business hours Monday through Friday.

12.29.04 Stan Folta  
4401 Chairman

## LEGAL NOTICE

### TOWN OF TEWKSBURY PLANNING BOARD



### PUBLIC HEARING SITE PLAN SPECIAL PERMIT

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Planning Board will hold a public hearing on January 10, 2005 at 7:45 PM in the Tewksbury Town Hall Auditorium, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by the Town of Tewksbury for a Site Plan Special Permit to expand the existing Senior Center to a 21,480 square foot building.

Said property is located at 174 Chandler Street, Assessor's Map 61, Lot 110, zoned FA.

The application may be examined in the Community Development Department, 999 Whipple Road, Tewksbury, MA, during 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM, Monday through Friday.

12.22, 12.29.04 Steven J. Sadwick,  
4399 Director

## LEGAL NOTICE

### TOWN OF WILMINGTON



### CONSERVATION COMMISSION PUBLIC MEETING

Notice is hereby given that a Public Meeting will be held in Town Hall, Room 9, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887, on Wednesday, January 5, 2005, at 7:00 PM, in compliance with provisions of M.G.L. Chap. 131, Section 40, and 310 C.M.R. 10.00 on a Request for a Determination of Applicability, filed by Gary DePalma, 1 Taft Road, Wilmington, MA 01887, owner and applicant. The applicant is proposing a 14'X 9' addition within the 100 foot buffer zone of bordering vegetated wetlands, as designated by the MA Wetlands Protection Act, M.G. L. Chapter 131, Sect. 40 and 310 CMR 10.00. This property is shown on Assessor's Map 7 Parcel 85, 1 Taft Road, Wilmington, MA 01887. A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning and Conservation Department, Room 6, Wilmington Town Hall, and may be inspected between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Judy Waterhouse, Chair  
Conservation Commission  
12.29.04 4402

## LEGAL NOTICE

### TOWN OF TEWKSBURY



### PLANNING BOARD LEGAL NOTICE PUBLIC HEARING USE SPECIAL PERMIT

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Planning Board will hold a public hearing on January 10, 2005 at 7:30 PM in the Tewksbury Town Hall Auditorium, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by Finner's Choice d/b/a Extra Fields for a Use Special Permit in accordance with Section 4230 to allow conversion of an existing warehouse to indoor batting cages.

Said property is located at 890 East Street Rear, Assessor's Map 102, Lot 15, zoned Heavy Industrial.

The application may be examined in the Community Development Department, 999 Whipple Road, Tewksbury, MA, during 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM, Monday through Friday.

Steven J. Sadwick,  
12.22.04, 12.29.04  
4396 Director

# North Reading hitting school, Feb 14-March 18

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## LEGAL NOTICE

### NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Gregory C. Tsotsi and Nancy G. Tsotsi to Mansfield Mortgage Services, Inc., dated July 30, 2002 and recorded with the Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds at Book 13403, Page 54, of which mortgage Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 9:00 a.m. on January 10, 2005, on the mortgaged premises located at 15 Chester Street, Tewksbury, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage

TO WIT:  
The land in said Tewksbury, with the buildings thereon, situated on the Easterly side of Chester Street containing 10.063 square feet, being shown as Lot 7 on a plan entitled, "Plan & Profiles, Sullivan Village, Section IV, Tewksbury, Mass., surveyed for John D. Sullivan" dated February 1954 by John W. Parsons, Surveyor and recorded with Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 83, Plan 194 and bounded:

WESTERLY: by said Chester Street, one hundred (100) feet;  
NORTHERLY: by Lot 8 on said plan, one hundred and 63/100 (100.63) feet;  
EASTERLY: by Lot B on said plan, one hundred (100) feet; and  
SOUTHERLY: by Lot 6 on said plan, one hundred and 62/100 (100.62) feet;  
by said contents or any or all of said measurements, more or less, and however otherwise said premises may be measured, bounded or described.

For title reference see Deed dated September 21, 1984 and recorded Book 2882, Page 173

For mortgagors' title see deed recorded with Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 282, Page 173

These premises will be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, rights of way, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature of liens, improvements, public assessments, any and all unpaid taxes, tax titles, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any other municipal assessments or liens or existing encumbrances of record which are in force and are applicable, having priority over said mortgage, whether or not reference to such restrictions, easements improvements, liens or encumbrances is made in the deed.

## TERMS OF SALE

A deposit of Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars by certified or bank check will be required to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of sale. The balance is to be paid by certified or bank check at Harmon Law Offices, P.C., 150 California Street, Newton, Massachusetts 02458, or by mail to P.O. Box 610389, Newton Highlands, Massachusetts 02461-0389, within thirty (30) days from the date of sale. Deed will be provided to purchaser for recording upon receipt in full of the purchase price. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication.

Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.  
Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.  
Present holder of said mortgage  
By its Attorneys,  
HARMON LAW OFFICES, P.C.  
Lauren A. Hamlin, Esq.  
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Newton, MA 02458  
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### MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Gerard C. Hery to Option One Mortgage Corporation, dated July 8, 2002 and recorded with Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 13295, Page 194 of which mortgage Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, National Association, as Trustee, under the applicable agreement is the present holder by assignment, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgages premises located at 12 Blueberry Lane, Wilmington, Massachusetts will be sold at a Public Auction at 1:00 P.M. on January 25, 2005, at the mortgaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

That certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon being Lot numbered 35 as shown on a plan of land entitled "Whitefield Elm Village" Subdivision of Land in Wilmington, MA., Whitefield Elm Village Realty Trust, Definite Subdivision Plan of Land, Allen, Demurjian, Major & Nitsch, Inc. Engineers, Architects and Land Surveyors, dated November 12, 1987, revised February 8, 1988, Scale 1"=40'. Sheet 1 and 2 of 3, which plan is recorded in the Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds, Plan Book 166, Plan 50, to which plan reference is hereby referred to for a more particular description, further these lots appear on a street named Ashwood Avenue.

Subject to and with the benefit of easements, restrictions, and rights of way insofar as they are in force and applicable.

The premises will be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes and other municipal assessments and liens, and subject to prior liens or other enforceable encumbrances of record entitled to precedence over this mortgage, and subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, reservations and conditions of record and subject to all tenancies and/or rights of parties in possession.

Terms of the Sale: Cash, cashier's or certified check in the sum of \$5,000.00 as a deposit must be shown at the time and place of the sale in order to qualify as a bidder (the mortgage holder and its designee(s) are exempt from this requirement); high bidder to sign written Memorandum of Sale upon acceptance of bid; balance of purchase price payable in cash or current funds in thirty (30) days from the date of the sale at the offices of mortgagee's attorney, Korde & Associates, P.C., 321 Billerica Road, Suite 210, Chelmsford, MA 01824-4100 c/o Sanjit S. Korde or such other time as may be designated by mortgagee.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, National Association, as Trustee, under the applicable agreement, present holder of said mortgage, by its attorney

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Korde & Associates, P.C.  
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Chelmsford, MA 01824-4100  
(978) 256-1500  
12.29.04, 1.5.05, 1.12.05 4400



## Redmen take Christmas Tourney

# Controversial buzzer shot

By JAMIE POTE  
Sports Editor

The old saying is that sports and movies are so great because you never know how a game or a movie will ever end. There could be any number of twists, turns, surprises, emotions and bizarre things that have never been seen before. Well on Tuesday night, the weird got a little more weird.

In the craziest of endings, the Tewksbury High basketball team defeated the Wilmington Wildcats, 73-71, to capture the annual Knights of Columbus/Larry McGrath Christmas Tournament held in front of a packed Cushing Gymnasium.

With Wilmington leading by a point with the seconds ticking down, Tewksbury's Jay Fagone went for a shot which bounced off the rim and into the hands of Eric Ollila, who was then fouled. The clock went down to 1.9 seconds, before the referees ruled that three seconds were left when the foul was committed. Ollila went to the free throw line but missed both shots.

The second miss went off the rim, and into the hands of Tewksbury's Greg Weisse. Two passes were then made before Fagone fired up a last second heroic shot from just over half court, which swished right into the basket. Tewksbury stormed the court and celebrations begun for the Redmen, who trailed by as many as ten points with 3:33 to go.

It was then several seconds during the chaos on the court before one of the officials gave the signal that the shot had made it before the buzzer. The next 15 minutes was complete chaos, which included a video tape showing displayed by WCTV, which was inclusive and the original call stood and Tewksbury walked off the floor with the tournament championship title.

"I never heard the buzzer," said Fagone. "I just got the ball looked at the net real quick and shot it. I've never had anything like this happen before. I honestly never heard the buzzer so I really don't know."

Wilmington had control of the game for the first 28 minutes until they unfolded in the last four. The 'Cats had leads of 33-23 evaporate to 38-38 at the half-time break. The 'Cats started the second half on fire going on a 12-0 run after the teams exchanged several baskets in the early minutes. Wilmington upped its lead to 14 after Tom Miele sank two free throws making it 61-47 with 7:46 to go.

Tewksbury slowly crept back into the game as Darren Chamberland started to dominate in the paint. The Redmen senior ended the night with 21 points and 10 rebounds. He scored 10 of his 21 points in a 3:27 span, his last bucket was the start of a 13-1 run to end the game in the final 3:07. Following Chamberland's bucket in the

paint came back-to-back treys from Jeff Fredriksen and Fagone, and then a beautiful lay-in off the glass by Fredriksen on a great pass from Chamberland which tied the game at 70 with 55 seconds to go.

Joe Herra hit one of two free throws with 34 seconds left and Weisse grabbed a big defensive rebound which set up the last second heroics for Tewksbury.

"We came back from 11 points twice," said Tewksbury coach Jim Sullivan. "We got great minutes out of Greg Weisse and good minutes out of Cory Ryser. Jay Fagone had a terrific tournament - how do we not give them the tourney MVP? He played very well yesterday too. Tonight he played Herra and he had a tough night. He's been our go-to guy and we have to work with him passing off the dribble but he's there for every loose ball. He's been a quiet, unheralded guy for us."

"Fredriksen stepped up and made some shots for us tonight and Darren was a monster out there. He had a fabulous night. This is what he's capable of. We try to tell him this all of the time. It's time for him to go after it because he's capable of this every single night. And he did, he did a great job. We have to work on him blocking guys out."

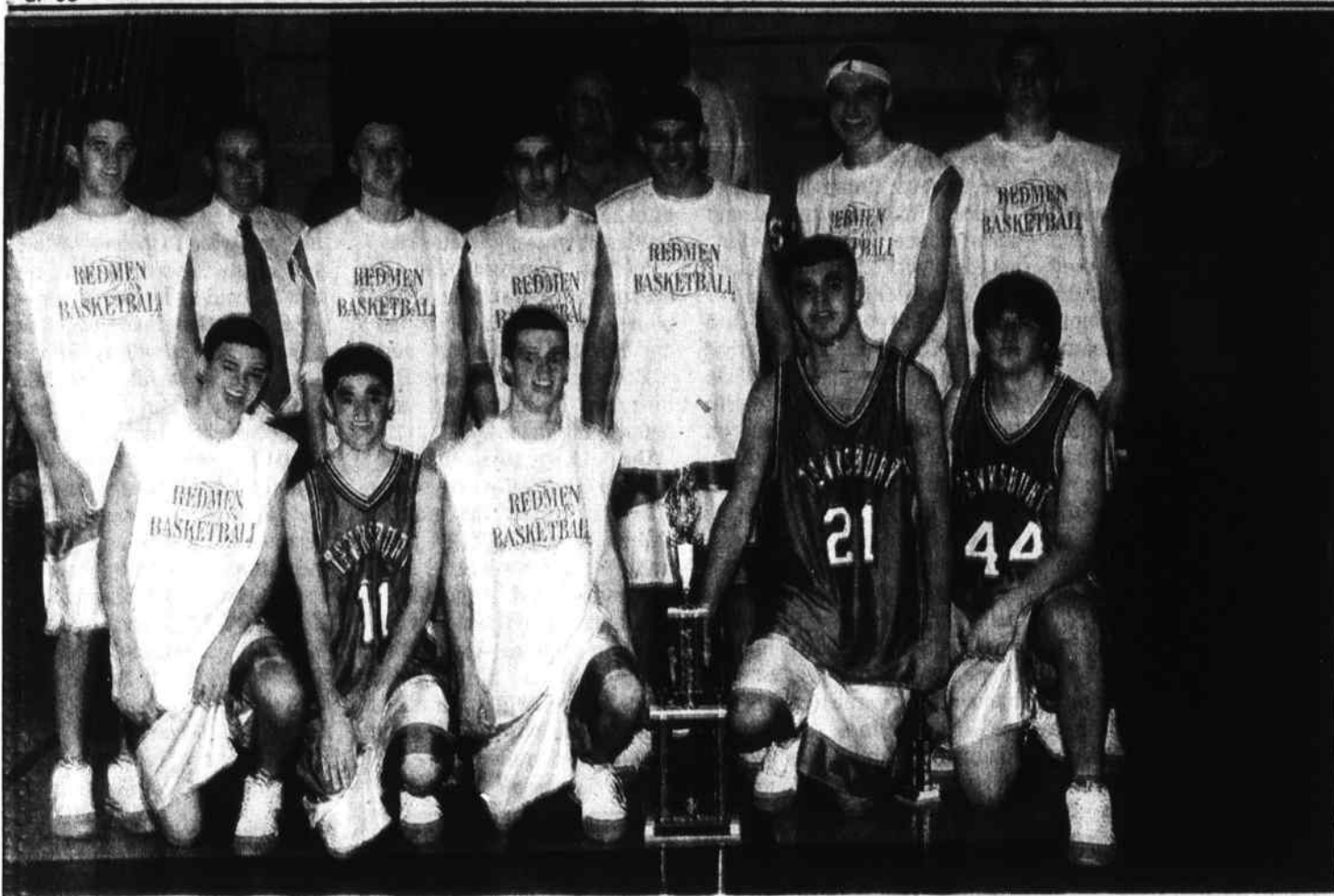
"They have a good team and there's no doubt about that. They can shoot the ball. Herra is a good player and their big guys for them are very active, they can shoot from the perimeter and make things happen and rebound. That's a good team and this is a really big win for us."

"We got everyone in the game except (two players) and the eight who played all contributed and we don't win unless it's a team effort. We had 15 assists in the first half and we didn't have 15 assists in the previous three games. We're not a selfish team by any means but we're making the extra pass to the open guy instead of forcing an uncontested shot. That's the difference for us."

Said WHS coach Jim McCune, "We had ten point leads three or four times in this game and we had chances to put them away but we didn't."

"Everytime we got a little bit of a cushion we relaxed. The bottom line is we gave up too many open shots, we missed our free throws down the end and we were sloppy defensively when it mattered. That's the bottom line. The referees did not cost us this game."

"You have all to learn someday. You never get the breaks you always want - sometimes you get a bad break. So now the question is how are we going to react to this? Are we going to sit back and sulk and say we got robbed for a week or two, or are we going to realize why we lost the game? When you give up 73 points in a game you are not winning a lot of games."



The Tewksbury High Redmen basketball team captured the Wilmington K of C/McGrath Memorial Tournament with wins over Revere and Wilmington on Monday and Tuesday night, respectively. After winning the championship on a last second heroic shot by Jay Fagone, Tewksbury gathered around the trophy enjoying their first two victories of the season.

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The annual Wilmington Knights of Columbus/Larry McGrath Memorial Basketball tournament was held at WHS on Monday and Tuesday night with the Tewksbury Redmen winning despite incredible fashion over the 'Cats. Pictured here are the locals on the all-tournament team: From left to right: Dave Orndorff, representing the late Larry McGrath, tourney MVP Jay Fagone of Tewksbury, Darren Chamberland of Tewksbury, Joe Herra of Wilmington, Eric Ollila of Wilmington and Bud Callahan representing the K of C.

## The most bizarre and chaotic ending you'll ever witness

By JAMIE POTE  
Sports Editor

Although it officially goes down as a 32-minute contest, Tuesday's game took another 15 minutes before it was finally decided who actually won. One referee said the last second heroic shot went in before the buzzer, another didn't know. One coach was seen giving an earful to both referees walking off the court, before they both walked back minutes later to discuss the issue. The other coach was seen on the court, celebrating with his team after a dramatic come from behind victory.

All the while, the fans were left stranded wondering who won the game, if Jay Fagone's shot was good, and why it was taking so long to come to a decision which included going to video tape which is prohibited in high school sports.

While it took a long time before the referees figured out that the video was inclusive therefore Tewksbury won the game 73-71 to capture the Christmas Tournament championship, one hell of a game was played on the Cushing Gymnasium parquet floor.

The Big Picture has it that the game was left in the referees hands to decide which team won. Within that big picture was a game that featured two strong comebacks by Tewksbury, six players finishing in double figures in scoring, and a combined 11 treys, including three by the Redmen in the final 1:18.

Trailing by a point with three seconds to go, Tewksbury's Greg Weisse was able to grab a

rebound off the second missed free throw by Eric Ollila. Weisse gave the first of two passes, with the second going into the hands of Fagone, who unleashed a long three-pointer hitting nothing but net while, before or after the buzzer went off. Tewksbury first thought it had won the game as the original delayed signal from one of the referees was good.

Wilmington coach Jim McCune chased down the referees out of the gym before they returned minutes later. They gathered together with the coaches and asked them if it was OK to go to the videotape, supplied by WCTV in Wilmington. After further review the call stood and Tewksbury won what will probably go down as the most bizarre high school basketball game played at WHS.

Fagone, and the two coaches, Jim Sullivan of Tewksbury and McCune of Wilmington all give their takes on the situation.

"I never heard the buzzer," said Fagone. "I just got the ball looked at the net real quick and shot it. I've never had anything like this happen before. I honestly never heard the buzzer so I really don't know."

Said Sullivan, "I wasn't watching the clock I was watching our guys. I have no idea. You are not suppose to go to the film rule and the referees asked both of us coaches if they could go to the tape and we said OK. It's about getting the call right. Both of us want to win but neither of us want to win the wrong way. It's not my call I'm not an official I'm the coach of the Tewksbury

Redmen. I'm watching our guys and not the clock. If I'm watching the clock than I don't know what our guys are doing. That's not my call, it's their call. One of them thought it went in, and the other didn't say anything. They checked the tape and the tape didn't have anything and it was irrelevant."

Said McCune, "Those two officials that we had I would take them in any one of my games any day of the week. They are two quality officials, two great guys who love the game. We never should have been in this position. I could not even hear the horn. They did everything in their power and they couldn't hear the horn either because they were locked in on the ball. You know what this isn't college basketball where you have something focused on the clock, or a light that lights up the backboard situation."

"I think everyone in the gym knows what the result of the situation should have been, but it's not fair to the referees. I would take those guys anytime. In fact they are both always on my tournament list every year. I have a lot of respect for them."

"The situation happened and it's unfair to the officials they made the call. They are not going to go to our table because it's all Wilmington people it becomes a bad situation. There's just not enough equipment here to figure it out. I just wanted them to do a hand count from the time the rebound happened to the shot because there was three seconds left and the clock starts when the rebound is touched.

"They were trying but at that point I'm emotional, Jimmy (Sullivan) was emotional and everyone in the gym was emotional but I can tell you right now that they both feel bad that the game ended like that."

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By DOUG WOOD-BOYLE

There is very little, if any, room for growth in Lynnfield, but Town Administrator William Gustus is looking at making areas near Route One into commercial zones so more businesses can be added to the mostly residential tax base.

"The commercial industrial property in town makes up less than 10 percent of the town," Gustus said. "Lynnfield is a residential community with a very good school system."

Those schools are a big draw for people coming into the area and looking for new homes. However, those same people are moving into housing that is limited and does not provide enough taxable income to maintain the schools in the manner and quality demanded by Lynnfield standards.

"(The schools) have undergone tremendous renovations," Gustus said. "We have a new middle school."

As a result, the high school is rated in the top 10 in the state.

He describes Lynnfield as an "upscale community. The work in the schools has increased the property values."

That is both the good news and the bad news. As the property values increase, the space for new development is decreasing and it is harder to raise revenue under the



**HOMETOWN WARMTH ON A SNOWY DAY.** From the Public Library, (clockwise top left) to this picture-perfect Main Street colonial, Lynnfield Centre's New England charm shows in this Centre Farm shot. At left is the bell in the foreground of the library.

## There is still time to donate to M.E. Santa

Thanks to the generous donations from the readers of Middlesex East and their local newspapers, the M.E. Santa is off to a good start this Christmas season.

Every year it is a struggle for the Salvation Army to meet its goals to aid local families but this year it is even more so as a number of larger stores have denied having the 'Kettle' outside their stores. The reason many say is that they cannot allow the Salvation Army to collect while denying other charities and non-profits.

The end result is that the Salvation Arm has lost revenues and must make it up by such methods as the M.E. Santa fund. So please consider making your donation. All funds go to local families.

A list of those who have contributed includes:

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Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Meharg, Reading	\$ 25.00
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State Rep Carol Donovan, Woburn	\$ 25.00
In loving memory of Eunice Duran and Jim and Marty Mooney from Tena Mooney, Woburn	\$ 25.00
In memory of Donald Connors from Dorothy and Gerald Connors, Woburn	\$ 25.00

M. E. Santa to S-3

Proposition 2 1/2 tax cap.  
"We are primarily a built

out community," Gustus said. "There is not a lot of room left for new development."

He added, "Clearly trying to live within the means of Proposition 2 is getting harder every year," Gustus said.

At present the population stands just under 12,000 people and the area of the community is just over 10 square miles. It is bordered by North Reading on the north; Reading on the west; Middleton, Peabody, and Lynn on the east; and Saugus and Wakefield on the south.

According to information provided by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, "Lynnfield is a traditional New England residential community, which has an open town meeting form of government, headed by a three-member Board of Selectmen. Its residents enjoy the small town feeling while within a short commute of Boston's cultural and employment opportunities."

Incorporated in 1814, the center of the town is graced by

The Common, a small green bordered by historic structures including the Lynnfield Meeting House built in 1714 and the Lynnfield Public Library, which was built just before the Civil War. The town provides a wide spectrum of recreational facilities with ball fields, tennis and golf courses and parks.

Gustus said, "We need further diversity of our tax base. Some residential area along Route One should be rezoned to commercial. Because of the

build-out situation there is not a lot of new development. We need to focus on new development."

At present the commercial properties in town are made up of a large United Parcel Service facility, off of Salem Street, the Colonial Sheraton Resort, a big ADP (payroll processing) facility, the Christmas Tree Shop, Johnson Controls and several restaurants along Route One.

Lynnfield: to S-4

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## Woodchips

From S-1

PEBBLE on the beach, try being a little bit BOULDER... Folks, we can't all be HEROES. Some of us must stand on the curb and SALUTE the heroic few as they go marching by!

After working many years in-side a DEPARTMENT STORE, George Gould was going to be relieved of his duties because he was becoming more and more DEAF.

NOT SO - it seems that George was put in charge of the store's CUSTOMER SERVICE department...

Remember folks, SHORT VISITS usually make for some very LONGLASTING FRIENDSHIPS...

Explorer PONCE DE LEON looked in vain for the FOUNTAIN OF YOUTH in what's modern-day Florida.

It turns out that any BALLROOM DANCER could have told him that the FOUNTAIN OF YOUTH can be found on any BALLROOM FLOOR in the world.

Many of you remember, as I do, how every men would SHAVE, SHOWER and SHINE their shoes every Saturday night in anticipation of a night out dancing.

The women would CURL their HAIR, IRON their BEST DRESSES and they would then make their way to the Spanish Gables Beachview, Kimbals Starlight, the Commodore in Lowell State Ballroom or the Mosley on the Charles.

I don't, however, understand how any of these modern

dances where one TWISTS, BOBS, and TURNS without as much as touching his/her partner!

Last week, when the music stopped at the DANCE HALL, a young lady said to me, "THANKS for the dance, Chipper."

"WHAT DANCE?" I exclaimed, "I was just trying to get across the dance floor to visit the COKE MACHINE!"

My friend Kathleen said to me once, "Joe Ravida wants to MARRY me, but I don't want to LEAVE my MOTHER."

"I smiled and said, 'DON'T WORRY another minute - she can go with you!'..."

### PERSONALITY WINNERS

John Diagle, Adam Burt, Ryan Griffin, Scot Caplan, Joe Reale, ALL OF BURLINGTON.

Marc Miller, Neil Restani, Sara Hourihan, Caitlin O'Neill, Meredith Lawler, ALL OF LYNNFIELD.

Nicole Kern, Torie Carroll, Marietta Reilly, Sarah Potter, Julia Nelson, ALL OF NORTH READING.

Chris Zanni, Lindsey Gamble, Mike Krimes, Sean Doolin, Chris Reno, and Chris Campbell ALL OF READING.

Captain Rich O'Donnell, Captain Jason DeFilippo, Head Coach Bob Powers, Anthony Sacco, Terry Kurdzonak, ALL OF STONEHAM.

Samantha Burke, Rachael Coombs, Keith Hyland, Benjamin Tan, Rachel Cooes, ALL OF TEWKSBURY.

Arthur Brown, Frank Balurdi, Stephen Boghos, Maura Guyote, Kara Hollis, ALL OF

### WAKEFIELD.

Philip Viana, Emily Sullivan, Christopher Silvaggio, Anthony Sposito, Christian Serrano, ALL OF WILMINGTON.

John Crowley, Emma Mills, John Kelly, Richard Hamel, John Loverly, ALL OF WINCHESTER.

Keith Morris, Dennis Works, Peter J. Lennon, Lauren Tierno, Lindsay Connors, ALL OF WOBURN.

### DREAMBOATS

Diane Higden of BURLINGTON, Laura Dechant of LYNNFIELD, Katherine C. King of NORTH READING, Nancy Anderson of READING, Deborah Catalano of STONEHAM, Rachel C. of TEWKSBURY, Kara Hollis of WAKEFIELD, Erica Savage of WILMINGTON, Jane Driscoll of WINCHESTER, and Lillian Copozzola of WOBURN.

### SUPERSTARS

Tom Ayer of BURLINGTON, Neil Restani of LYNNFIELD, Clare Keefe of NORTH READING, Mike O'Brien of READING, Steve Pacheco of STONEHAM, Lee Bailey of TEWKSBURY, Jim Fanikos of WAKEFIELD, Jennifer Leonardo of WILMINGTON, Robert Pawlak of WINCHESTER, and Doris Lynch of WOBURN.

My Aunt Nora shouted upstairs, "WAKE UP, Johnny or you're going to be LATE FOR SCHOOL!" And after hearing that, Johnny shouted back, "I am NOT GOING TO SCHOOL TODAY, Ma!"

Well, Nora rushed up the

stairs and asked Johnny, "Are you sick?" He replied, "No, I'm not sick." "Well then, give me TWO REASONS why you aren't going to school today," Nora urged.

"REASON ONE: the teachers all hate me. REASON TWO: all the kids hate me too," Johnny said, adding, "Now mom, YOU should give me TWO REASONS why I should get up and go to school."

"Reason one," Nora shouted, "You are 29-YEARS-OLD and secondly, you are the SCHOOL PRINCIPAL!"

Due to the many days of RAIN a few springs ago, the WATER NEARLY REACHED the ROOFTOP in some areas. My Uncle John Shea found himself STRADDLING the ridge of his HOME'S ROOF and he was overjoyed when he saw two men inside a boat.

As the men rowed toward Uncle John, one shouted, "AMERICAN RED CROSS." And to that, my uncle shouted back, "For CRYING OUT LOUD! I already made a donation at the office!"

Police officer John Diagle was sent to investigate reports of a missing CHICKEN FARMER who had not been seen in days.

Officer Diagle reported back, "I found the farmer DEAD inside one of the HEN HOUSES. I now suspect FOWL PLAY..."

Years ago, when I worked at Kelly's on the Beach, C.E.O. Brian McCarthy said to me, "Chipper! You're HALF AN HOUR LATE!"

"I'm SO SORRY!" I replied, "to make up for it today, I'll go

home HALF AN HOUR EARLY, okay?"

My cousin Mario was stopped by a STATE TROOPER for speeding last week. And as the trooper made out a TICKET while he sat inside the police cruiser, Mario frantically latched his SEATBELT.

The officer then approached Mario's car and handed him a ticket for SPEEDING and then said, "Wait - here's another ticket for a SEAT BELT VIOLATION."

Mario shouted, "WHY did

you do that, officer?! The trooper smiled and said, "You've hooked the SEATBELT to the STEERING WHEEL!"

My wife Kathy has given up on GOLF and taken up BOWLING instead. So far, she has been doing great and she hasn't LOST a SINGLE BALL yet!

I remember when my nephew John's class in the FIRST GRADE, standing up to salute the flag and then sing, "My country TIS OF THEE, sweet land of LIPTON TEA of thee I sing..."



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There are seven differences in the second picture. Can you spot them?

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## About the Towns

by Phyllis Nissen

### WOODS WHOLE, SKATE BOARD, SAFETY FIRST

#### Ribbons, streamers, revenue for Reading

"A ribbon-cutting ceremony was held to mark the ceremonial start of the Johnson Woods development on West Street," notes the Reading edition of the "Daily Times Chronicle."

"The ribbon-cutting ceremony featured Town Manager Peter Hechenbleikner, as well as Project Developer Ted Moore and Project Manager Bob Gargano, along with Selectman Gail Wood, and was held at 468 West Street, the site of the project and featured a catered lunch."

"The developer worked with the town, and I think the end result is a development that is reasonable for everyone," said Hechenbleikner.

"It took a long time, but the town was great to work with," said Moore. "They were very thorough, but reasonable. I wish that we had been doing this about a year ago, but I think the end result is a better project than the one we came in with."

"The development, located on the site of the former Johnson Poultry Farm near

Enos Circle, will consist of 180 condominium units contained in attached townhouses and flat, garden-style buildings, one detached condominium, and accessory uses on approximately 27 acres. It will also contain a fitness/pedestrian trail for walkers and joggers."

"The development of the property is expected to produce significant tax revenue to the town, and the improvement is anticipated to have no adverse impact on residential property values in the area, and may encourage other property improvements, according to the town's Community Planning and Development Commission...."

#### Skating, gliding, finally Wakefield

"The skateboarding equipment that's been situated in the Nahant Street Pit for months was set to be transported to its new home, Nasella Field," notes the Wakefield edition of the "Daily Times Chronicle."

"The Board of Selectmen voted to accept the recommendation of the Skateboard

Park Committee to build a skateboard park at Nasella Field."

"Selectman Amo Cefalo headed the Skateboard Park Committee which reviewed 26 sites and narrowed the choice down to two with the Water Street site (Nasella Park) the favored location."

"The committee rejected the combined park with the Town of Reading because the location could be potentially dangerous for Wakefield youths to access and the location is near the newly constructed Home Depot and Jordan's Furniture on the Wakefield line where traffic is a concern."

"Selectman John Carney remarked, 'I am opposed to this project because it is not a good location and I think it is a bad idea to have an unsupervised park.'"

"Al Turco agreed with Carney's sentiments, saying, 'I can't support this proposal without adult supervision.'"

"Selectman John Gallucci

indicated that he would like to obtain additional information concerning the park's hours of operation and the system that will be implemented for closing the park at night."

"It's about time that the Town look into giving these kids something to do," Gallucci remarked...."

#### Reversing this curse in Tewksbury

"The Board of Selectmen has voted to refrain from using Reverse 911 technology for anything outside of emergency and public safety notifications," notes the "Tewksbury Town Crier."

"Reverse 911 technology has been used by the town on several occasions to notify residents of substantial road closings, such as the recent one on Shawshen Street. The technology was most recently used to alert residents of the presence of perchlorate in the public's drinking water supply."

"Selectman Douglas Sears proposed to employ the Reverse 911 system to notify residents of upcoming elections and Town Meetings."

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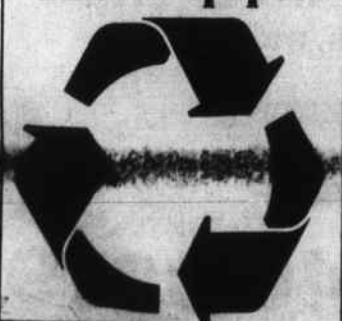
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## Lynnfield

From S-1

The plans for rezoning are a last measure for Gustus, who has been serving the community for two years. In that time he has met many of the goals he set for himself and those that have been set by the Board of Selectmen.

Among these were changes that have been made in the town's administration of health insurance plans, and the consolidation of some offices.

"We looked at all of the government operations to make sure we were operating efficiently," Gustus said. "Then we looked at all of the facilities."

In the latter factor, it was found that past attempts at saving money by deferring maintenance was actually costing the town money. Therefore, a complete maintenance program was developed by dedicating \$2 million in seed money to a fund for the maintenance of buildings.

A 20 year program has also been established for the improvement of roadways and sidewalks. A five year capital equipment plan has also been put in place to take care of needs such as fire and police vehicles and maintenance trucks.

"These are all financial goals," Gustus said. We have also looked at quality of life."

In this aspect Piling Pond was the target of a clean-up program and a new park was then created along its shores. A public/private partnership was created to maintain the green space in the community.

Lynnfield enjoys a good diversity of age groups. However, Gustus added the population may be a little bit older than in other high end communities.

About 20 years ago, town fathers recognized the high cost of living in the community by the standards set back then. As a result, it was voted to have the town sponsor a non-profit corporation with the purpose of developing senior housing.

A total of 120 units were constructed. When they were sold, it was with the caveat that the buyer had to be a Lynnfield resident.

In terms of public safety, the town takes a very unique approach.

"We have a unified chief (for the police and fire departments)," Gustus said. "These two units work well together."

Under the system all the police officers are Emergency Medical Technicians and when a call comes for a medical emergency they are the first responders.

"It goes a long way to pro-

viding very good service on a short notice," Gustus said.

It does not impair the police forces ability to fight crime either as the town enjoys a very low crime rate.

"We certainly don't have the level of violent crimes found in more urban communities," Gustus said.

The chief, Paul Romano also has command over the fire department, which is made up of a combination of both call fire fighters and full-time fire fighters.

"The response time is among the best in the area," Gustus said. "It costs less than a larger full-time department."

Between the two departments two ambulances are operated and the town has received certification for a basic Advanced Life Support (ALS) operation. The town contracts with a private ambulance service in the case of a higher level of ALS need.

Some famous residents of Lynnfield are Olympic figure skater Nancy Kerrigan and children's author Jon Williams.

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## Athletes & Activities

by Paul Feely

**•MIDDLESEX EAST SPORTS WEEKLY TRIVIA**  
What Boston Celtics uniform number was retired in honor of two different players? Answer appears elsewhere in this column.

**•BURLINGTON'S DAVE CACCIOLA**, a goaltender for Providence College, had a 60-save performance recently against Boston College that helped earn him the honor of being named Hockey East defensive player of the week, the third time he has won the award in his days at Providence. The 60-save performance was the highest such total this season in Hockey East, and the fourth highest all-time performance for a Providence College goaltender.

**•THE WINCHESTER SPORTS FOUNDATION HALL OF FAME** is now accepting nominations for the 2005 Hall of Fame. To be eligible for nomination, a player candidate shall have graduated from Winchester High School at least 10 years prior to his or her induction into said Hall of Fame. A player nominee shall have exhibited leadership, excellence, determination, sportsmanship, versatility, integrity, and met the academic requirements while a student at the Winchester High School. Send 2005 nominations to Maria Montuori-Pacific, 63 Shore Road, Winchester, MA 01890.

•Need some help on this week's trivia question? The two players are Jim

Loscutt and Dave Cowens. •The 16th Saugus Federal Credit Union (SFCU) Holiday Classic, Eastern Massachusetts' premiere high school hockey tournament, will

be held at the Kasabuski Rink in Saugus, Massachusetts on Tuesday, December 28th and Wednesday, December 29th. A total of eight teams, representing private and public high schools from Division 1 and 2, will participate in this year's tournament. Teams include Saugus, St. Mary's of Lynn, LYNNFIELD, Westford Academy, St. Bernard's, WAKEFIELD, Boston Latin, and AUSTIN PREP. According to Kasabuski Rink Manager John Hatch, the eight teams are divided into two divisions, Division 1 and Division 2. The four teams in each division will play head-to-head competition on Tuesday, December 28th to determine who will play in the finals and consolation games on Wednesday, December 29th. Play begins at 12 noon on Tuesday according to the following schedule:

Division 1 Games:  
Game #1 Wakefield vs. St. Bernard's 12:00 p.m.  
Game #2 Austin Prep vs. Westford Academy 4:00 p.m.  
Division 2 Games:  
Game #1 St. Mary's vs. Lynnfield 2:00 p.m.  
Game #2 Saugus vs. Boston Latin 6:00 p.m.

The following day, December 29th, the champion of each division will be determined:

Division 1 Consolation Game 12:00 p.m.  
Division 2 Consolation Game 2:00 p.m.  
Division 1 Championship Game 4:00 p.m.

Game 4:00 p.m.

Division 2 Championship Game 6:00 p.m.

The tournament offers players an opportunity to play competitive hockey in a college-like atmosphere while networking and showcasing their talents in front of college coaches and scouts as well as hockey fans throughout the region. At the conclusion of the event, the players and coaches will attend an awards banquet, compliments of Prince Restaurant in Saugus, on Thursday, December 30th at 9:30 a.m. MVP, Best Defensive Player, and Best Offensive Player will be selected in each division. Tickets for the tournament can be purchased at the door. Tickets will be \$5 for adults, \$3 for students, senior citizens and children under six are free. For more information about the 16th annual SFCU Holiday Classic call John Hatch at (781) 231-4184.

**•ANSWER TO THIS WEEK'S TRIVIA QUESTION:** The number is 18.

**•DO YOU KNOW SOMETHING WE DON'T?** If you have information about a local athlete that you would like to see appear in this column, please email it to [readingchronicle@comcast.net](mailto:readingchronicle@comcast.net) or mail it to: Paul Feely, Middlesex East Sports, P.O. Box 240, Reading, Ma., 01867, or call Paul at 781-944-2200 between 7 am and 3:30 pm, Monday through Friday, or fax information at 781-942-0884.

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According to Pacific Intercultural Exchange (PIE) Executive Director, John Doty, the students are all between 15 and 18 years old, are English speaking, have their own spending money, carry accident and health insurance, and are anxious to share their cultural experiences with their new American families. PIE currently has programs to match almost every family's needs, ranging in length from a semester to a full year, where the students attend local high schools.

PIE area representatives match students with host families by finding common interests and lifestyles through an informal in home meeting. Prospective host families are able to review student applications and select the perfect match.

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Show hours are Saturdays, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Sunday Jan. 16 from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.; special holiday hours on Monday are 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Tuesday through Friday, 1 p.m. to 9 p.m.; and Sunday, Jan. 23 11

a.m. to 6 p.m.

The Camping and RV Show runs January 15 - 23. Admission is \$8 for adults and \$4 for children ages 6 - 12 (under 6 free).

## SINGLES DANCE ON JANUARY 15

The "Singles Executives Club" grand opening singles dance will be held Saturday, Jan. 15 at Jimmy's Allenhurst, Grand Ballroom, 101 Andover St., Rte 114, Danvers 978-774-7733, [www.se-4u.com](http://www.se-4u.com). Complimentary buffet, 9-10 p.m. Numerous free door prizes. For single professionals 30+ years old.

Terrific dance music and vocals by award winning DJ Joe Pet. Cost is \$10 before 9 p.m. Proper business dress, jackets for men required.

Co-sponsored by the Young Professionals Club and the Presidents Club of Boston. SIGN LANGUAGE CLASS STARTS JANUARY 1

American Sign Language Classes for the winter quarter will be held January 1 through March 22. Experienced instructors and small class sizes. For more information call 781-899-4709

## BURLINGTON TEMPLE HOSTS TOT SHABBAT

Temple Shalom Emeth,

Burlington will host a Tot Shabbat program on Saturday, Jan. 8 at 10 a.m. at the temple. Following this month's service will be a special presentation by "Sparky's Puppets."

Sparky's Puppets will perform "Old Favorites." Watch Grandmother teach the wolf some manners in "Little Red Riding Hood." Give the "Three Little Pigs" some building advice. And help the little old lady who's baking a gingerbread man by giving her some make believe ingredients... and a pinch of magic for the cookie dough!

Tot Shabbat is open to all families with children ages 5 and under. Older siblings are always welcome. The Shabbat service, craft activities and snacks are free.

Temple Shalom Emeth, located at 16 Lexington St., Burlington is a reform synagogue, serving Burlington and the neighboring communities. For more information call 781-272-2351 or [www.uahc.org/ma/tse](http://www.uahc.org/ma/tse).

## AARP MELROSE MEETS JANUARY 14

Melrose AARP year 2005 will begin Jan. 14 at the Highlands Congregational Church on Franklin St. Doors

open at 1 p.m. The meeting will be called to order at 1:30 p.m. Handicap entrance at the rear door on West Highland Ave.

All individuals 50 years or older are encouraged to be a visitor to consider future joining. The Association will decide the question of continuing the popular practice of holding a cash raffle.

The guest speaker will be a leader in Internal Medicine and Cardiology, Dr. Bruce Watrous. His topic will be "Tips on Keeping a Healthy Heart." Following the lecture the doctor will answer questions from the floor.

For more information call Vice Pres. Mary Cail 781-665-9378.

## GERMAN CLUB HAS JANUARY MARDI GRAS

The German/American Club of the North Shore presents its annual Fasching Carnival-Mardi Gras at the Knights of Columbus in Lynn on Saturday, January 15th. The time is 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm.

The hosts are Gisela Wagner (781-321-8561) and Karin Thachuk (1-978-535-3484).

They will host a catered dinner plus a hot and cold buffet and dessert.

Dance to the tunes of the Bavarian Brothers.

The cost is \$22.00 for members and \$25.00 for non-members. Make checks payable to the German American Club of the North Shore and mail to Karin Thachuk, 110 Birch St., Peabody 01960.

## Calendar to 5-9

1 CHARLES STREET U:R was sold to Maria and Robert Johnson by Gloria Whitney for \$280,000.

225 FOREST STREET was sold to David and Harriet Lyons by Gregory and Jean Galvin for \$530,000.

112 GAZEBO CIRCLE U:112 was sold to Joan and Robert McGrath by Bastoni Jeanne Est. and Louise Pugh for \$399,900.

67 RED GATE LANE was sold to Mary and Robert Gee by John and Marianne Cafazzo for \$605,000.

3 SUMMIT DRIVE was sold to Cynthia Martin by Laura Bosco for \$219,000.

## -STONEHAM-

Median Price: \$390,000

4 BENTON STREET was sold to Maureen Hegarty by Lirakis Marion Est. and Alexis Scanlon for \$360,000.

7 ELM STREET was sold to George Nasar by Nellie Michaels for \$336,000.

300 FELLSVIEW TERRACE U:305 was sold to Andrea Maguire by James and Mary Finn for \$276,000.

34 GOULD STREET was sold to Frank and Martha Orloff by Christopher and Nicole Villasorda for \$360,000.

## -TEWKSBURY-

86 ARMANDO WAY U:86 was sold to Damian and Melissa Shea by Brian Corey for \$240,500.

41 APACHE WAY U:41 was sold to Norma Castine by Landers Olive B. Est. and Patricia McLeod for \$235,000.

236 APACHE WAY U:236 was sold to Robert Herrick by Geraldine Clements for \$235,000.

## -WAKEFIELD-

9 ADELE CIRCLE was sold to Antonia and Michael Rizzo by Gary and Tracy Cowan for \$519,900.

38 BENNETT STREET U:3C was sold to Irving and Nancy Gloor by Stefania Gambale for \$228,000.

2 BIGGS COURT was sold to James Reed by Angel Santiago for \$250,000.

## -WILMINGTON-

30 ALDRICH ROAD was sold to Joseph and Melissa Zuccola

P&T Rt. and Michael Tkachuk Tr. for \$590,000.

6 ALLSTON AVENUE was sold to Charisse and John Delorey by Sean and Susanne Hayes for \$335,000.

35 ASHWOOD AVENUE was sold to Rita Kathleen McCarthy by Russell Goldberg for \$595,900.

64 BALLARDVALE STREET was sold to Jose Carvalho by Laurie Doyle and Thomas Pyne for \$340,000.

12 BOUTWELL STREET was sold to Richard and Susan Melillo by Christian and Rose Botte for \$515,000.

## -WINCHESTER-

15 JEFFERSON ROAD was sold to Suzanne Mary Becker and Thorsten Becker by James and Mary Ellen marino for \$1,300,000.

38 PICKERING STREET was sold to Loretta Verrecchia by Marco Tammara for \$400,700.

24 SQUIRE ROAD was sold to James Accardo by G. Michael Gardner for \$511,000.

200 SWANTON STREET U:411 was sold to Lynda Mobbs by Francis and Lorraine Foisy for \$178,000.

4 WICKHAM ROAD was sold to Adrienne and David Silbermann by M. Hedges-Fanucci for \$860,000.

## -WOBURN-

74 BEACH STREET U:1-1 was sold to Shari Lynn Ommert by Brenda and Douglas Beaton for \$172,500.

12 BRONISLAW STREET was sold to David and Joan Farrell by David Farrell and George Farrell Jr. for \$279,000.

6 CHURCH STREET was sold to Salvador Hernandez Jr. and Terri Canada by Carmen Hernandez and Josefina Santiago for \$320,500.

88 FOWLE STREET U:B was sold to Ripul and Shilpi Khanna by 88 Fowle Street Condo T. and George Gately Jr. Tr. for \$389,900.

10 HENRY AVENUE was sold to Elizabeth McCann by Julie Swaine for \$379,000.

64 JEFFERSON AVENUE was sold to Maria and Sergio Gomez by William Carter for \$373,000.

687-A MAIN STREET was sold to Martha Luna by Kathleen and Thomas Shamon for \$450,000.

169 OLD CAMBRIDGE ROAD was sold to Danail Hristov and Viktoriya Dimitrova by David Murray for \$451,000.

95 PEARL STREET was sold to Walter Brown by Lawrence Brown for \$63,000.

25 POOLE STREET was sold to Jane and Robert Rafferty by Louis Add for \$390,000.

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24 OVERLOOK AVENUE was sold to Wendy Gamboa by Pine Tr. Rt. and Thomas Murray Jr. for \$580,000.

26 RICHARDSON ROAD was sold to Sirva Relocation LLC by John Kim and Sue Un for \$505,000.

26 RICHARDSON ROAD was sold to Anne Maher and Stuart Heller by Sirva Relocation LLC for \$505,000.

### -LYNNFIELD-

Median Price: \$493,450

68 BOURQUE ROAD was sold to Kenneth and Shari Robbins by Genevieve and Scott Springer for \$677,500.

41 CANTERBURY ROAD was sold to Lance Reinold and Alison Salk by Bridget and Matthew Kowalsky for \$418,000.

12 PUTNEY LANE was sold to George and Heidi Angelo by Kevin and Melissa Pike for \$454,000.

### -NORTH READING-

Median Price: \$415,000

25A BURROUGHS ROAD was sold to Jeanne Ranieri by Lucy Walker for \$275,000.

214 HAVERHILL STREET was sold to Arline and John Whyel by Gayle Helen Nix and Gayle Nix Wolff for \$443,500.

271 MAIN STREET was sold to FLV Atlantic Plaza LP. by N.R. Plaza LLC for \$16,500,000.

18 OLDE COACH ROAD was sold to D. Bruce Wheeler by Nev Campbellon Rt. and D. Bruce Wheeler for \$900,000.

65 SOUTHWICK ROAD was sold to Pelson Realty LLC by Mar Jo Mahan for \$280,000.

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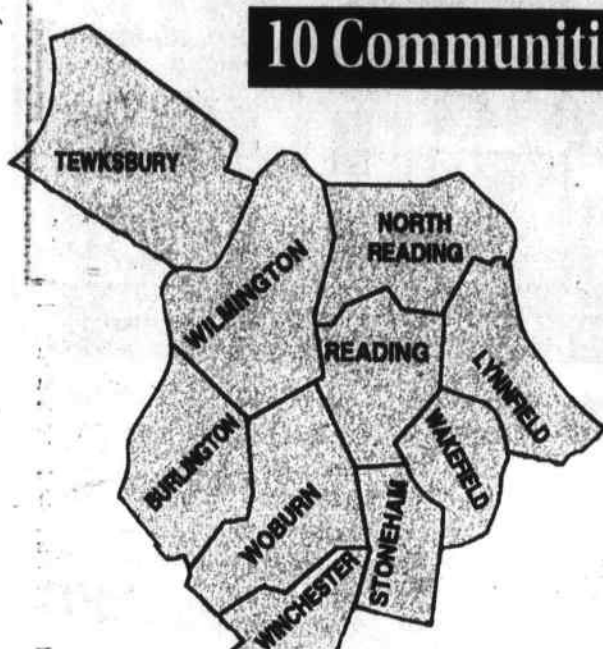
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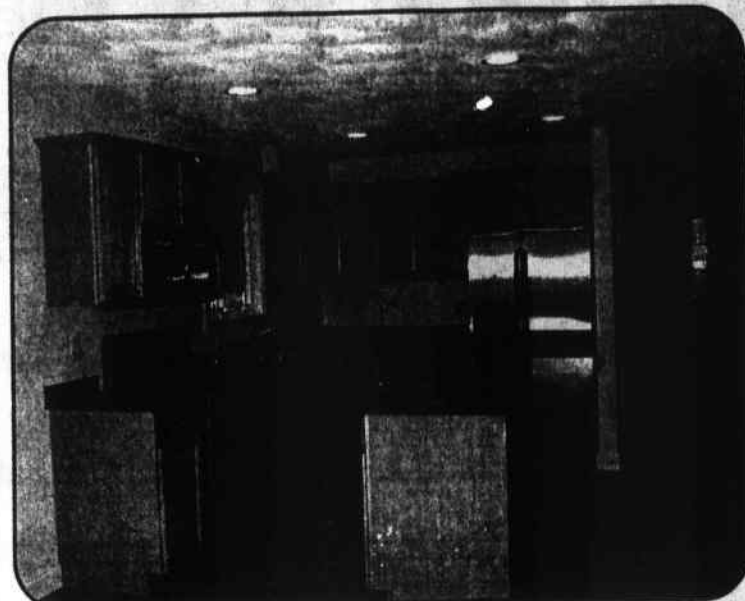
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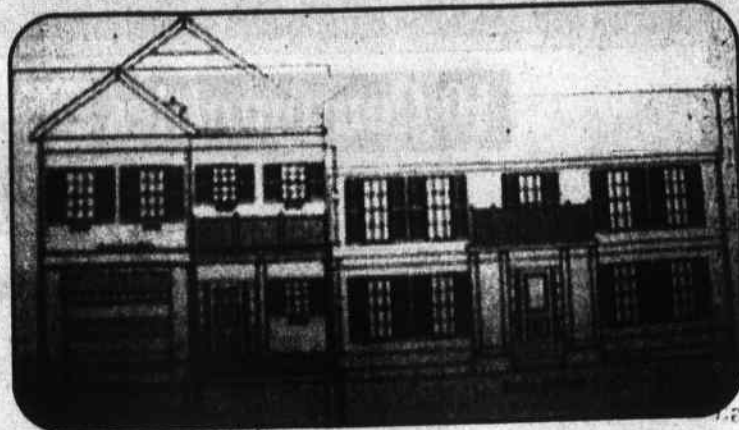


You still have time to make color selections in either of these two spacious, new townhomes located in Woburn. Both townhomes offer a fabulous

open floor plan - great for entertaining.

In one unit the first floor has a maple cabined kitchen, dining room and living room that feature hardwood floors, first floor half bath plus direct access to the attached garage. You could relax in front of the lovely gas fireplace in the living room while looking out the back windows to the spacious deck and yard. This unit has two huge bedrooms, two full baths and laundry on the second floor.

In the second unit many of the original features of the home still remain. The first floor offers you a formal living room, formal dining room, nice



sized den that opens up into the cherry cabined kitchen PLUS a full bath.

There are three original fireplaces, one in the formal living room, one in the den and the last one is the special feature of the master bedroom. This unit has hardwood floors

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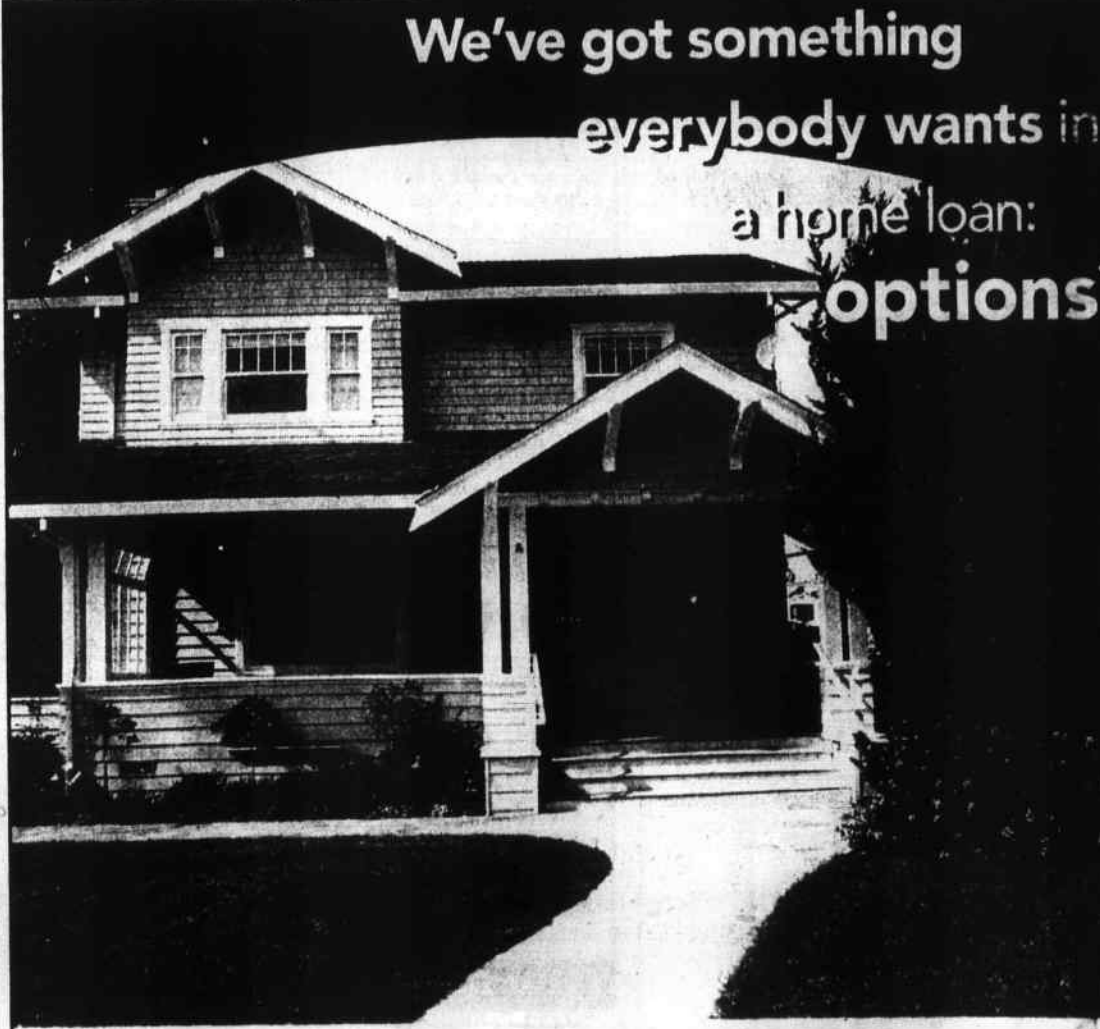
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Residents who wish to support the Fund can "Give the Gift of Warmth" by using the mint colored Good Neighbor Energy Fund donation envelope found as an insert in monthly energy bills or through the "add a dollar" program some energy companies offer which allows customers to increase their monthly bill payment by one dollar or more.

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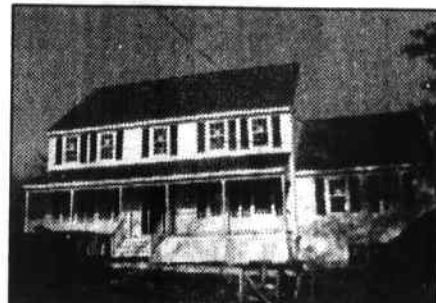
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### READING



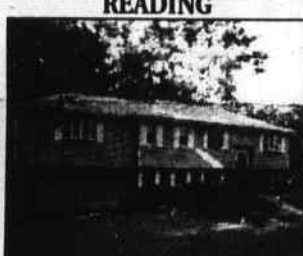
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### READING



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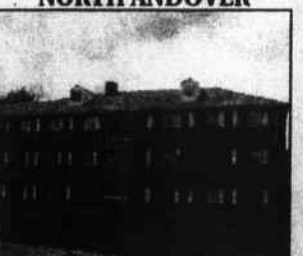
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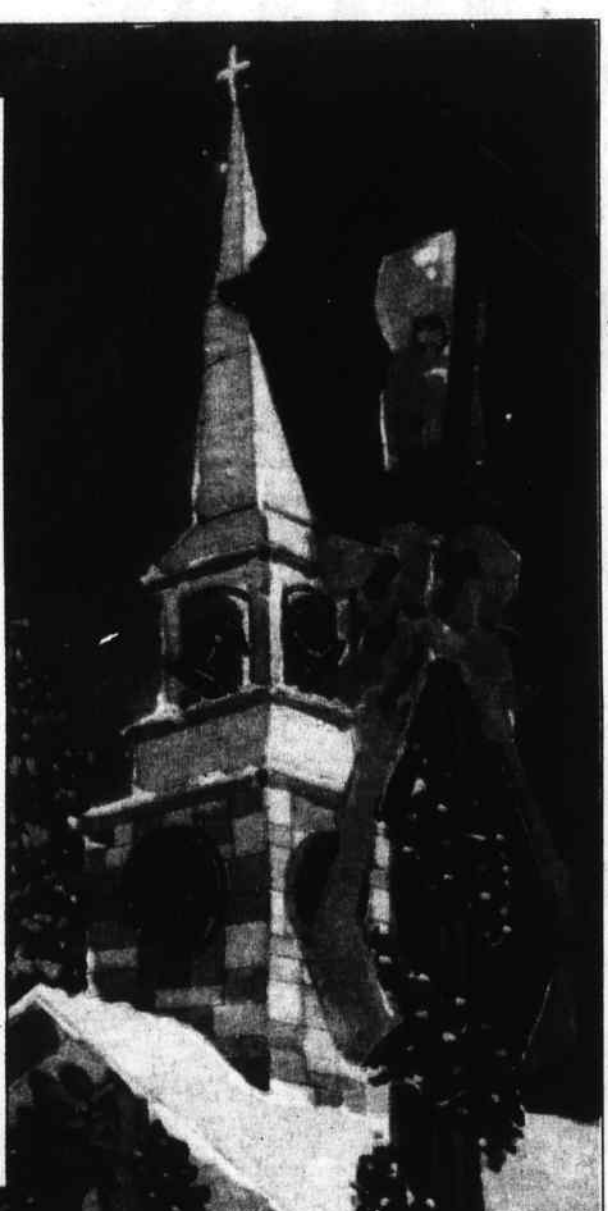
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